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Who's Who and What's What

A telegram received by the Clinton church last Sunday indicated the acceptance by Rev. James W. Middleton of the pastorate. Notice of his call was given in last week's Record.

Miss Leona Lavender, of the Library Promotion Department of the Sunday School Board in Nashville, will spend a week with the church at Clinton, May 24-31 arranging material for the library of the Sunday school and outlining a plan for building it up and promoting its use.

We are beginning our revival meeting at Roseland Park church in Picayune next Sunday, May 24. The pastor, D. W. Nix, will do the preaching and Prof. Willman Stewart of Nicholson will conduct the singing. This is a new church, a little more than a year old. We began the organization with 17 members and we now have 74. Pray for us in this special effort to win lost souls.—D. W. Nix, Pastor.

Pastor D. O. Horne of Monticello writes: "We are happy to report a victory against the wet advocates and consumers yesterday by a vote of 218 for and 593 against the sale of beer in Lawrence County. The preachers and bootleggers were on the job, but on opposite sides, previous reports and prophecies to the contrary notwithstanding. We had a hard fight, mostly against indifference. Things had gotten in a mess, especially at Monticello with four beer joints dumping their wares both days and nights. We are after the bootleggers next, which involves, in some cases, the same crowd."

The tornado which struck the city of Gainesville, Georgia, on April 6, killing over 200 persons, and destroying over 1,000 houses and places of business, did much damage to the First Baptist Church. Government engineers estimated the loss at \$60,000 but the estimate of the architect is something less than that amount. With every business place destroyed or badly damaged, and over 200 homes represented in the church having been blown away, the congregation is in poor condition to finance the rebuilding. An appeal from four Atlanta pastors was sent to the churches of Georgia and other places, asking for aid. Approximately \$5,500 has been sent to the pastor, Dr. Roland Q. Leavell, and it is expected that the sum will run considerably higher. An offering was also made at the St. Louis Convention for Gainesville and Tupelo amounting to nearly \$800.00.

It was a real pleasure to have my father, Dr. W. R. Cooper, of Tylertown, Miss., with us here at the Southside Baptist Church, Montgomery, Ala., recently, April 26 through May 10. It was my first time to have the privilege of having father preach for the church of which I was pastor in revival services. Our Alabama people love to hear the gospel as he preached it just as the Mississippi people do. Our church officials were most hearty in their expressions of praise for his messages and manner in the pulpit. We had a great revival. There were forty additions, (the usual gauge) which, however, was not the correct test in this instance. We had a real revival. Our people are continuing the work. Our revival continues.—W. L. Cooper, pastor.

Southern Baptist Convention

Walton E. Lee

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St. Louis, Mo., May 14, 1936

In the Municipal Auditorium of this city the Southern Baptist Convention was opened this day for its annual meeting.

A number of preliminary meetings were held which brought many to the city in advance of the opening time and when order was called the assembly hall with a seating capacity of 10,000 was rapidly filling. The preliminary meetings were the annual W. M. U. Convention, which opened Tuesday morning for a three day session, the Pastors' Conference arranged by Dr. M. E. Dodd, and the Brotherhood Conference sponsored by Dr. J. T. Henderson. These latter two were held throughout Tuesday and in them splendid, helpful programs of inspirational addresses were carried out.

The general theme of the Convention was "The Uplifted Christ." "And I, if I be lifted up will draw all men unto me." John 12:32. "That in all things he might have the preeminence." Col. 1:18.

All the music of the Convention was under the direction of Mr. R. Inman who at the opening hour led the great assembly in singing "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name," and Dr. L. R. Scarborough led in prayer. A quartette of young men from the Southern Seminary rendered a musical number.

The secretaries reported an enrollment of 2,792 up to the assembling time.

Address of Welcome

The Convention was welcomed to this great city by Mr. John B. Edwards in an interesting address in which was recited the progress of Christian work in the city and entertaining a hope that an impetus would be given by this meeting of the Convention. This address was responded to by Dr. W. R. Rigell of Tennessee. In the address was emphasized the need of the world for the message that Baptists alone have and can give.

The President's Address

The address of the President is always listened to with interest. Dr. Sampey's message today was on the subject, "The Faith of A Southern Baptist," this Southern Baptist being himself. It was a clear setting forth of his beliefs of some of the Baptists' teachings to which all could subscribe in the main, and the speaker was applauded in concluding.

The Convention Sermon

Dr. Sampey requested that each one endeavor to bring himself to feel that this is really an hour of worship in the preaching of the word. The attention of the audience was called to the two places in the Convention territory recently visited by disastrous storms, viz: Gainesville, Ga., and Tupelo, Miss., and the Baptist practice was adhered to and a collection was taken for the relief of the churches in these places. The offering amounted to \$777.00.

The sermon was preached by Dr. Jno. A. Huff of New Orleans on "The Risen Christ." The

sermon will be printed in full and lengthy comment is withheld. It was a forceful presentation of (1) the dreadful consequences which would have come of a failure of the resurrection of Christ, and (2) the blessings that come of his having risen from the dead.

The session closed with prayer led by Dr. Frank Tripp.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION

"Come Thou Almighty King" was sung and Dr. L. E. Barnett of Alabama led in prayer. A quartette of young women from Bessie Tift College, Georgia, sang "How Tedious and Tasteless the Hours" that elicited hearty applause.

Report of Hospital Commission

The first item of business on this afternoon's program was the consideration of the report of the Hospital Commission which was made by Dr. L. J. Bristow, Secretary of the Commission. From the report the following items of achievements by the New Orleans Hospital are culled:

During the year ending March 31, 1936, the Hospital served 7,687 patients, giving them 42,506 days of service. There were 236 free patients who were given 2,197 days of service; and 902 who were given 9,642 days of part free service. This free service cost the Hospital \$45,572.50. To be added to this is the value of the services of doctors which will make as much more.

All operating expenses were paid and the capital debt reduced by \$44,000.00 and \$21,490.92 were paid on the interest.

In the ten years in which the Hospital has been in operation 64,785 patients have been cared for, giving them 406,022 days of service. 39,388 days of free service and 64,631 days of part service have been given.

The Hospital gives free service to missionaries of the Foreign Mission Board, having cared for thirty-two during the year at a cost of \$3,118.42 to us, which was a direct contribution to the Foreign Board. We also gave free work to students of the Baptist Bible Institute, inmates of the Baptist Rescue Mission, local orphans' homes, and kindred Protestant institutions, to denominational workers and others.

The Report of the Social Service Commission

The Social Service Commission of the Convention brought report through Dr. A. J. Barton. The report deals with such social principles as Temperance and Prohibition, Lynching, International Peace, Freedom in Religion, The Liquor Traffic, The Christian Sabbath, etc. In the adoption of lengthy recommendations offered by the committee the Convention was recommitted to standing by and carrying out these social principles as becometh true Christians.

The Report of the Special Committee On a Social Research Bureau

This committee was appointed a year ago to consider the advisability of establishing a Social Research Bureau to act as the agency of the

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Sparks and Splinters

It was good to see Pastor B. E. Phillips looking well at the Convention after several weeks of contending with flu and dengue fever.

We will never make believers with a make-believe gospel. It must be the genuine article, genuinely believed.

Five of the six Jackson pastors attended the Convention in St. Louis: Drs. Hewitt, King, Ferrell, McGowan and Harrington. Brother Metts is recovering from a hospital experience.

The preacher of the Convention sermon for next year is Dr. John B. Cousins of Virginia, with Dr. Storer of Oklahoma as alternate. Dr. Storer was some years ago pastor of First Church, Greenwood.

Dot M. Nelson, Jr., preached morning and evening for the Clinton Church Sunday. The people were delighted with the messages of one who grew up in their midst, finished last year at Mississippi College and has been making a fine record at the Louisville Seminary.

Southern Baptist editors, at the suggestion of Dr. E. D. Solomon of Florida, have asked Mr. P. I. Lipsey, Jr., the professor of journalism in Stetson University, when he goes abroad for the summer to furnish the Baptist papers with letters giving an account of conditions in Europe. We hope he will be able to comply with their request.

At the Convention a year ago, Dr. E. D. Solomon humorously made the motion that we refuse to go to any city whose auditorium did not have steps in front of the platform, so as to allow a man from the floor to get to the rostrum to speak. This was in the interest of democracy. We had the steps this year. But the reporters complained that the ferns used for decorations prevented their seeing the speakers.

The brother who introduced the resolution in the Convention opposing students in Baptist schools receiving aid from any governmental agency, did so to safeguard the principle of separation of church and state. This same brother was appointed on a "committee on public relations to keep in touch with government functionaries to see that they properly look after Baptist interests in Europe, both property and personal. We are wondering "where are we at," and that's not an editorial "we."

We were glad to see that Lutheran pastors in Arkansas and West Tennessee recently protested against religious instruction by tax supported schools as un-American and tending to state control of the churches. They propose instead that time be set aside in the school day for instruction in religion by representatives of religious bodies to be given those who desire it. So far as we know there is no disposition in these parts for state supported school teachers to teach religion. If we can prevent them teaching the opposite we are doing fairly well.

The resolutions introduced by Dr. C. E. Maddry, secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, with reference to conditions in Italy and Roumania affecting Baptists and Baptist property in those countries, brought to our attention a serious and a strange situation in this year of 1936. Constant, nagging persecution is the lot of Baptists in these lands where Romanism still dominates. Catholics have made an outcry for religious freedom in Mexico, only because they themselves suffer at the hands of the state. But they are not the friends of religious liberty and would be the last people to give it to others. The resolutions offered by Dr. Maddry asked for and secured the appointment of a committee from the Southern Baptist Convention to keep these matters before the state department in Washington until the rights of Americans are secured in Italy and Roumania. In Mexico the situation is different, for in that country the officials are dealing with their own people and our government cannot interfere with the internal affairs of another country.

You will be glad to read the report in the Record which brother Walton E. Lee gives of the Convention in St. Louis, including the fellowship meetings of Southern and Northern Baptists on Monday and Tuesday.

Wonder if anybody else was impressed with the fact that the accent of the women who spoke at the Southern Baptist Convention was not southern at all. Even the colored sister could roll her r's with the best of them.

The Convention in St. Louis paused from business to have prayer for the family of Dr. Geo. T. Waite who passed away while the Convention was in session. Dr. Waite was secretary of Missions in Virginia and was greatly loved by the brethren who knew him.

Prof. J. F. Evans of State College says their program is arranged for the Preachers' and Workers' Conference in the interest of rural communities June 22-26. Dr. G. S. Dobbins, Mississippian in the faculty of the Southern Seminary, who specializes in pastoral problems and church administration will be one of the speakers.

Mississippi College men were drawn upon heavily for service at the Convention. Just off-hand we recall Dr. J. B. Lawrence, Home Board Secretary; Dr. T. L. Holcomb, Sunday School Board Secretary; Dr. E. Godbold, Missouri Secretary, who made one of the nominating speeches; Dr. Jno. H. Buchanan, chairman of the Committee on Committees, the most important committee of the Convention; Dr. J. R. Hobbs, one of the retiring vice-presidents; Dr. Chas. D. Johnson, chairman of the Education Commission, and there were plenty of others capable of any worthy service.

The Convention goes to New Orleans for 1937. We are glad, and hope that hundreds of our people in Mississippi will make up their minds to go, and go. Not do like brother Simmons' frogs "just took a notion." One of the best ways to know what Southern Baptists are doing is to see a convention in action. Richmond, Va., had asked for the Convention for next year, but graciously accepted the decision of the committee, and that particularly because the women want to celebrate their fiftieth anniversary in 1938 in Richmond where they started. And everybody seems satisfied. Dr. Jno. A. Huff who had worked to get the Convention for New Orleans distributed 3,000 "pralines."

The action, lack of action, or reaction of the Convention with reference to social service leaves us where we were before the recent agitation. That is the appointment of a commission on social service from year to year which may enlarge its fields of study and report as much as it pleases with its financial limitations. That is what it has done from year to year. It was begun with a single item for study and report, namely temperance, but it has gradually enlarged its field to include divorce, war and peace, Sunday observance, lynching, law observance, relation of church and state, automobile accidents, and freedom of the press. If the brethren had taken knowledge of all this they might have clipped its wings. But probably they didn't read it.

The report on Baptist papers was made by Pastor Whorton of Longview, Texas. It is good to hear somebody talk about Baptist papers besides an editor or a circulation man. The report said a lot of good things, some of which we propose to give our readers in broken doses, "as ye are able to bear it." For the present just get this one: "Baptist papers serve all good causes and advocates all the truth." It was good all the way through. Pastor Whorton has 900 copies of the state paper going into his church with a membership of 2,700. He says that the pastor can do it if he wants to. He recommends three ways in which it can be done: first, put it in the church budget; if this is impossible, send it to every budget subscriber; if this is not done put a good committee on the job. The Baptist Record is grateful for an increasing number of pastors who are laying this matter on the hearts of their members.

A gentleman acknowledged his mistake the other day when he thought he saw the ends of two peg legs under a chair. They turned out to be two long heels of a woman's shoes.

Brother Pond of Texas, many years an evangelist, spoke with great fervor of the need of a new compassion for the lost, in the pastors' conference. He enfiladed that small group of preachers who went to the ball game while the pastors' conference was in session.

People were reminded of Woodrow Wilson's "war to end war" at our Convention in St. Louis when the anti-war resolution of the Social Service Commission was introduced. The brethren fought quite a battle over it. Perhaps they were scrapping to end scrapping. But all joking aside they had some good scriptures in support of such hostility to hostilities. The Bible says that the "God of peace shall bruise Satan under your feet." and, "The peace of God shall guard your hearts."

Dr. W. L. Ball in his address on Simultaneous Soul Saving Services urged cooperative effort in our churches and the advantage of having many churches working warmly at the same task. He commended Dr. Hamilton's book, "Sane Evangelism," speaking specially of Dr. Carroll's message in it. Dr. Ball suggested that the Sunday School Board might inaugurate a department of evangelism. It was said also that this matter had been brought again to the attention of the Home Board which for several years carried on this work. Something more may be said of this in the report of the Convention.

The friends of brother Atley J. Cooper will be grieved to know of his death in Fabin, Texas, where he has been pastor for about two years. Brother Cooper was for a good many years an evangelistic singer and helped in many meetings in Mississippi. He was born in Scott County and his body was brought back for burial at Springfield church near Morton. He leaves a widow and two young sons, his oldest son having died last year. These have our sincere sympathy, and they have the precious memory of a Christian life lived worthily.

We are in receipt of the new book by Dr. H. E. Dana of the Southwestern Seminary entitled "Searching the Scriptures." Dr. Dana is professor of New Testament Interpretation and one of the most careful, painstaking and diligent students of the Bible we know. He is also well known as an able teacher and expositor. Whatever he writes is worth reading. It does not hurt him in our estimation that he is a Mississippian, and an alumnus of Mississippi College. In this book he gives the principles which should guide in the interpretation of the Bible. It will help to make any preacher a better preacher to read this book and we hope there will be thousands who will read it. The price is not known to this writer, but we should say it does not exceed \$1.50. The printing was done by the Institute Press in New Orleans, and is well done.

Probably no group of men in the world have a better time when they get together than preachers. We speak with knowledge about Baptist preachers. At the Southern Baptist Convention this year they had a day of fellowship, with a program in the morning, afternoon and evening. The meeting was in the large auditorium of Centenary Methodist Church, and it was full with a good many in the galleries. In the morning the addresses were by W. T. Rouse and C. C. Morris. In the afternoon we heard Drs. F. S. Groner and W. L. Ball. They were different but excellent. And when these well prepared addresses were spoken, there was great freedom among the brethren in a free for all on "news and views." It is good to be there when they break loose, and express their minds. They speak from experience and conviction. They were from Texas, Missouri and Florida and China. Spontaneous applause showed they had found the hearts of the hearers and were expressing the sentiments of the audience. The general subject was evangelism and the words will bear fruit.



CHARLES E. MADDY, Executive Secretary

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GLIMPSES FROM CHINA

Aboard the S. S. President Pierce of the Dollar Steamship Lines from Hong Kong to Shanghai, March 12—During the five days of special services in the Tung Shan Baptist Church, Canton, China, under the preaching of Dr. George W. Truett, president of the Baptist World Alliance, and Dr. J. H. Rushbrooke, secretary of the Baptist World Alliance, more than one hundred and fifty students and fifty adults accepted Christ as Saviour and Lord.

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The train stopped in a market town. It was market day. Multitudes came from far and near. From the provincial prison there came two soldiers marching nine men between them—nine young men wearing heavy chains locked about their necks and joining them together as fellow victims of the firing squad of soldiers who would soon snuff out their lives before the crowd in the market place. We shuttered as we looked at them from our train window. Cruel! And why? Robbers! Death is the penalty for robbery in China. This drastic law and the enforcement of it has practically cleaned South China of this dreadful and dangerous menace that for years has made it dangerous for one to ride on boats or trains, or to walk any distance from villages, towns and cities. Every city, town and village has its "pawn shop" watch tower into which people ran with their valuables when they were warned of the approach of robbers. From the "port-holes" under the roofs of these tall windowless towers, brave citizens attacked the robbers and often drove them away. Today many communities are tearing down their towers and building parks and play grounds instead.

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In the Pooi Ling Kindergarten of Tung Shan, directed by Miss Lydia Greene, one of Southern Baptists' most alert and earnest missionaries, there are fifteen tiny tots from the homes of government officials. Into these leading homes of China, these children are carrying the story of Jesus and of God's saving love. "A little child shall lead them."

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Into this non-Christian city of more than 100,000 people we came. Not far from the bus station in the main street a multitude crowded in and out of a new mat shed like bees busy in blossom time. What could be the attraction? Weaving our way through the vast crowd we saw high upon a throne under the mat shed the image of an old man with a kindly face, and upon the altars before him were scores of burning incense sticks and candles flickering in the dim shadows. From the highest altar blessing inscribed upon red streamers of paper fluttered in the breezes while many paid tribute for the chance to draw a prayer number, and claimed one of these blessings corresponding to the number that had been drawn.

Luk Tso had been a cow-herder, kind and generous to all of his mountainside neighbors. They had loved him profoundly. One day he drove his heard of cattle into a distant mountain to feed. He never returned. The people said: "Surely he has become a god, and if we make his image and set it in our midst, surely he will be pleased and his spirit will linger with us to bless us even more greatly than he did while he lived." And here under the mat shed was one of his likenesses. Others dot the mountain-side and claim a place in more than one hundred villages.

Across the street the shop sells marble min-

iatures of his image and families do without rice in order to buy one for their homes.

The next morning as dawn drifted over the mountains, scores came early to worship Luk Tso that the day might be a blessed one. The morning air was heavy with the fragrance of burning incense, and the brass offering bowl ran over with coppers, the love-offering of humble people who live by coppers—a few coppers' worth of rice gruel daily.

A zeal for God! Hearts hungry to trust and love and worship! Minds ignorant of a living God! Souls dark in sin and heathen ideas! Souls precious to God, but ignorant of Him! And one lone little woman in all this city and distant villages! Sun Hing is the city and Margie Shumate the faithful, patient, praying messenger of Light. Pray for Sun Hing! Pray for Margie!

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"This is the most comfortable and pleasant ship we have had since leaving Europe," declared Dr. George W. Truett this morning while rejoicing for the two days of rest and relaxation on this big around-the-world liner, the President Pierce of the Dollar Steamship Lines. The schedule of Doctors Truett and Rushbrooke is very strenuous and these quiet days of pause from speaking engagements are a real "life-saver" for them before they continue their engagements for China in Shanghai.

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All China joins in one unanimous invitation to Southern Baptists to come to Canton for the Centennial celebration, October 14-18, 1936. Mr. C. O. Alley, agent for the Dollar Steamship Lines, Richmond, Virginia, and a Baptist deacon and friend of the missionaries, can offer a comfortable and pleasant round-trip to Canton for less than \$400.00. The Chinese Baptists and Baptist missionaries are eager to have a large representation present for this week of thanksgiving and inspiration.

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The one and only men's missionary society that we have seen in all China is the one, sixty strong, at Wuchow. Under the guidance of Missionary Frank Woodward, this group of men not only meet weekly to study and to pray, but they go forth by twos into the city and out into the villages as the apostles of old did, proclaiming the Gospel. Dr. Woodward is ably assisted in this most worthy and fruit-bearing project by Pastor So Wan Ting of the Wuchow church and by the Stout Memorial Hospital's two faithful, fervent, evangelistic Chinese preachers, Leung Chiu Hon and Au Yeung.

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Over the clock in the large postoffice in Hong Kong is the declaration of Solomon: "As cold waters to a thirsty soul, so is good news from a far country." Surely when Henrietta Hall Shuck came to Hong Kong to live nearly a century ago, she did bring good news from a far country, and it was as a cup of cold water to the thirsty souls of the Chinese among whom she lived. As we tread the hillside by Queen's Road upon which her first little school stood and climbed the same stone steps that she once climbed daily, we pause to praise God for His blessings upon this first seed.

Today there are seven Baptist churches in Hong Kong. The mother church located at 50 Caine Road claims six of these for her children. Gradually they are becoming self-supporting and relieving the mother church to claim more missionary extension work.

The pastor of the First Baptist Church of Hong Kong, Rev. Cheung Man Chin, has a most interesting life story. For years he served as the pastor of that first little Baptist church in South America that was begun by that faithful Chinese Baptist, Lough Fuk. One recalls how Lough Fuk sold himself into the slavery of the Portuguese in order to get passport and transport and entrance into South America with the Gospel. The Chinese Baptist church that he began at Demarara, British Guinea, South America, is the first record of any Baptist church in all of South America. Pastor Cheung has a warm and missionary heart, and is one of China's great preachers. Glimpses here and there in China remind us daily that the Gospel proclaimed by Baptists is international, binding twelve millions in seventy nations into one brotherhood and fellowship in Christ.—Inabelle G. Coleman.

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OUR WORK IN SOUTH AMERICA

Slowly but surely our work is growing in South America. Some parts are being developed much more than others but surely this would be expected of such a large country.

Our frontiers are moving closer to the enemies' camp and opposition is gradually being subdued. The old foes continue to use strength against our persevering missionaries. Let us continually pray that both we and they, who on the field of actual service, may do more for the advancement of the Kingdom of God.

"Never it seems has there been such an hour of testing for the Americas. Never was there more need of prayer, purity of life and methods, and persistent propaganda for the truth of the Gospel. Faithful opportunities are coming—and slipping away."

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AN APPEAL FOR MORE WORKERS AND MEANS

How easy it is for us to forget our great responsibility! Working with each other for our God is our task, and we are urged to do more as we read a part of a letter brother A. B. Deter, Curitiba, Parana, South Brazil:

"Our churches have received and baptized 191, and sixty-seven were passed over from 1935 to 1936, because there were not enough pastors in the field to baptize them. God send us more workers! We have over two thousand members in communion with the thirty-three churches in this field. Three new churches were organized during the past year.

"As I stand in the late glow of life's sun-set, things look very different to me from the times when my soul had not been burned with human pain and raw knowledge of sin and need.

"The great world war is not that which was waged in the old fold a few years ago, but the greatest of all great world wars is that which is being fought out here at the front. Oh, men of means, come over and help us for God's sake, and the sake of lost men! This appeal goes out on the air, and I know that our great over-Lord will hear it."

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Graduating exercises of Clarke College begin May 24 and end May 29. Commencement sermon Sunday evening at the church; senior play May 28; graduation exercises May 29 at 10:30 A. M.; alumni banquet May 29 at 8 P. M. Summer school begins June 1, offering accredited junior college and high school work, also special courses in primary education. Write W. T. Douglas, Newton, Miss.

EDITORIALS

As one walks down one of the principle avenues in St. Louis, he is impressed with the never ending succession of shoe manufacturing concerns. It would doubtless inspire Secretary Perkins of the Labor Department in Washington that all those bare feet down South might some day be hidden from the curious gaze of the public. But, come to think of it, the feet of many who wear "shoes" are not so well hidden after all.

The editors had a fine fellowship meeting while in St. Louis. The principal interest was hearing before hand the report which Dr. Wharton, a Texas pastor, had prepared to be presented at the Convention. It was a great paper whose main recommendations we hope to give in sufficient detail in the Record. He made some excellent suggestions to the editors and showed to the Convention messengers how the enlargement and virility of all our work waits upon a wide circulation of the papers. The editors elected officers as follows: President, O. W. Taylor, editor of the Baptist and Reflector of Tennessee; Vice-President, F. W. Tinnin of Louisiana, and Secretary, P. I. Lipsey of Mississippi. A gracious invitation was extended by Pastor D. M. Gardener of St. Petersburg and editor E. D. Solomon of Jacksonville to hold the regular winter meeting in Florida. And it was accepted. Dr. Solomon said the editors and their wives would be taken in cars from Jacksonville to St. Petersburg where Dr. Gardener promises they will be taken care of without cost to them. The date is Jan. 5, 1937.

The report of the committee on the question of future handling of the social service work, took a queer turn at the Convention. The report was published some two months ago in the Southern Baptist papers. It was also published in the Convention Bulletin on the opening morning of the Convention. It was presented to the Convention on the first afternoon, following the report of the Social Service Commission. There was a minority report also presented. The majority report recommended simply the enlargement of the work of the present commission, without creating any new bureau. It indicated some lines in which this enlargement should take. The minority report recommended no enlargement, but the continuance of the present commission as it is. When these reports were read a motion was made that the whole matter be laid on the table. The President ruled properly that this cut off all debate and necessitated a vote immediately. The vote was taken and by what seemed a slight majority the motion was carried. The Convention gasped and adjourned in the middle of the afternoon. Thus seems to end for the time being any discussion of the question of a social service bureau. It seemed strange that after two years of waiting and but little discussion in the Convention itself the matter should have been shelved without the privilege of discussion. Two things need to be said in all fairness and courtesy: It is not generally considered exactly good form to take advantage of a parliamentary manoeuvre to absolutely prevent debate. When people have thoroughly debated a question, a resort to the laying on the table may be proper and necessary. But to do so to prevent discussion is the equivalent of a child's telling another to "shut up." The other thing that needs to be said is that in a move of this sort there is a suggestion that somebody is afraid the light and truth will come out. When the judges of Jesus commanded him to be "smitten on the mouth," he said "If I have not told the truth then show that I haven't, but if I have, why smitest thou me?" We don't get the light by shutting the door and pulling down the shades. But some of the messengers had listened the night before to a harangue of an agitator who spoke for two hours against this report and other similar matters. And they seem to have had enough.

ACCORDING TO GRACE AND ACCORDING TO FAITH

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There are more marvels of truth in the twelfth chapter of Romans than have ever been brought out. So with all the rest? Yes; but let us just linger a bit on this particular chapter, and especially those verses which speak of God's gifts to us being "according to the grace given us" and "according to the proportion (analogy) of faith." Here are two measures that determine what we may be and do; what sort of Christians we may and will become; according to grace, and according to faith.

Between the reservoir or tank in which is kept the water which comes to my house there are at least two pipes of different sizes. The one at the tank and the one in my bathroom. Each of these and both of these determine how much water may come to my house in a given time. The one at the tank is a big pipe. They call it a main, a water main. The one in my bath room is a little pipe, a half inch or three eighths inch or even smaller. The size of the main is the measure of what can come; the size of the one in the bath room is the measure of what actually does come.

Just so there are two things which determine how much of spiritual life and power which may come, and also just how much actually does come into my life of the divine life. The first is the grace of God and the second is my faith in God. The grace of God is sufficient for my every need. No good thing will he withhold from them that walk uprightly. Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ who hath blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places. Unto each one of us in the grace given according to the measure of the gift of Christ. His divine power hath granted unto us all things that pertain to life and godliness.

These scriptures show clearly that the purpose of God is to furnish his people with all grace needed to make them into the likeness of God as revealed in Jesus Christ. But to speak specifically about what is said in the twelfth chapter of Romans: Paul says his own ministry is made possible by the grace of God, "I say through the grace that was given me." Of others he says, "Having gifts differing according to the grace that was given to us." Here is indicated both the quantity and the quality, or the degree and the kind. No man is limited so far as God is concerned. He that spared not his own Son but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him freely give us all things. You can draw on Him without limit for there is no limit.

Now as to the other thing which determines the amount of power and life we may have, the fulness or the littleness of the tides which come into our souls: this is according to the measure of faith. How big is our faith? how vigorous is it when applied to the grace of God? how much of his truth do we personally appropriate to our own use? This is "according as God hath dealt to each man a measure of faith" (vs. 3), or "according to the proportion of our faith" (vs. 6).

Whatever gift or gifts one has from God for service in his kingdom are personally appropriated, exercised and enlarged by the exercise of his own faith in God, in his reality, his nearness; his ability to help, his willingness to help, his purpose to carry on his work through us.

We will probably get a better, a more correct conception of what Paul meant and said if we leave out of the reading the words in italics, which are words not found in the original New Testament. The first gift, spiritual gift which Paul mentions in the category of gifts is that of "prophecy," this means here the gift of speaking under the direct and divine guidance of the Spirit of God. Paul rates this gift high among spiritual gifts. And he says here, "Having gifts differing according to the grace that was given to us, whether prophecy according to the proportion of our faith." Notice there is in the original no word exhorting us to prophesy according to the proportion of our faith. He simply says God gives us and we have the gift of prophecy ac-

cording to the proportion of our faith. It will be hard to eradicate these words from the minds of people ("Let us prophesy") but the words are not there. They were put in by the translators. If we leave them out we get what Paul said, that God gives his gifts, and we receive them, have them, use them according to our willingness and ability to believe, to accept, personally appropriate what He so graciously and willingly gives.

Our Christian life and usefulness, our service to God and our fellowmen depends on two things, the infinite grace of God and our own personal, believing appropriation of it.

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Juniper Grove: We have just closed the greatest meeting our church has had in a long time. Rev. D. Wade Smith of Fort Worth, Texas, did the preaching and Mr. Robert L. Cooper of Aberdeen conducted the singing. They certainly do make a great team. There were 33 additions to the church, four of which joined Camp Rowland church. The church as a whole was greatly revived.—D. W. Nix, Pastor.

The messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention were shocked on the evening of the first day to learn of the serious accident and injury to Dr. F. S. Groner, president of the College of Marshall, Texas. Near the auditorium he was struck by a passing automobile, his side injured and his nose broken. He was taken to the Missouri Baptist Hospital. At this writing we do not know how serious the injury is. Prayer was offered for him by the messengers.

One change in the machinery of the Convention was made at St. Louis which is worthy of mention. The Executive Committee was authorized to elect a promotional secretary whose business it shall be to continue the fight for reduction of debts and to foster the missionary spirit and missionary methods among all the Baptists of the South. He will do the work which has been done by Dr. Frank Tripp for the Hundred Thousand Club, and other work for all Southwide interests. It is thought by many that Dr. Tripp's experience of the past two years, his ability as a promoter and his concern for the support of the work make him the logical man for the place. Hitherto his work has been without salary. Henceforth the salary will have to be provided by the Executive Committee and it is thought that it can be done out of what is given to the committee annually by the Sunday School Board. Four years ago at St. Petersburg an effort was made to provide for a promotional man, but the Convention voted against it. This year the people had come to believe it necessary for the best interest of the work.

It was probably for the purpose of providing a "balanced ration" that on the last session of the Pastors' Conference in St. Louis Dr. E. M. Poteat, Jr., and Dr. R. G. Lee were on the program. In this the plan was a success. They are certainly different. Dr. Lee is known to be strongly evangelistic in his preaching, having and exercising a great passion for the saving of the lost. His subject was Perennial Evangelism, and he made some of us ashamed that we are not doing more of this kind of work. He drew upon his own experiences to enforce the scripture teaching on this matter. Dr. Poteat is known for two things, his incisive thinking, and his concern that the benefits of the gospel shall be carried to every department of life and all the relationships of men. The subject assigned him was "Energizing the Evangelized for Effective Work." There was room in it for liberty of choice, but there was little doubt as to which direction he would give to the subject. He is an interesting speaker to listen to. He may not be orthodox in all his beliefs, but he made it plain that he believed in the necessity of the new birth. What a man does, after he becomes a Christian, depends on whether or not he is gripped by some great truth, or idea as he expressed it, and whether he has in him the controlling power of the Holy Spirit.

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Pastor C. O. Estes begins a meeting at Morton June 21, having Dr. L. B. Campbell of Canton as preacher, the pastor leading the song service.

Convention Board Department

R. B. GUNTER, *Cor. Sec'y.*

This one thing we do, pay our debts.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION MONTH

By order of the Mississippi Baptist Convention the month of June is Christian Education month. The offerings made in the Sunday schools will be for the purpose of aiding ministerial students in Mississippi College.

The Board of Ministerial Education incurred some indebtedness in remodeling homes for married ministerial students. The indebtedness has been reduced considerably, but it should be paid off this year. If all Sunday school superintendents and pastors of the churches will emphasize the importance of a liberal contribution in June, every cent of the indebtedness can be paid off and relief can be brought to the ministerial students also.

There is no phase of the denominational work which is quite so vital as the education of our ministers. Humboldt said years ago, "What you want in the state you must put into the schools." That might be changed to say: "What you want in the pulpits and churches you must put into the education of our young ministers." It is the conviction of the writer that much that is being done to extend the Kingdom of Christ is largely wasted. If we want the right kind of stewardship in our churches, we must begin back in our colleges and seminaries with ministerial students and prepare them to teach and preach and practice stewardship and be an example to their congregations. If this can be done with our ministerial students, there will not be so much need for many other workers who are now employed to do the work which should be done by pastors. Let us, therefore, make a worthy offering for the ministerial students and thereby free the Ministerial Board from its indebtedness and make possible the education of a larger number of worthy students who need assistance. Some are out of school now—worthy men they are—simply because they do not have the funds with which to pay tuition and board.

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LET'S GO

"Ask the People and They'll Subscribe"

By A. L. GOODRICH, *Circulation Manager*

NEW ZION (WALTHAM COUNTY)

James A. Bryant is pastor of this fine country church which is all that needs to be said. No better organized, working church can be found in Mississippi. Along with many others, but (to our regret) not all, James Bryant counts the Record a part of our program and realizes its value. He pushes it. If every pastor in Mississippi would do as well by the Record as Bryant, our total circulation this week would be not around 7,500 but around 25,000.

Waltham County has subscribers as follows: Tylertown 30; Lexie 12.

CANTON

Pastors Campbell and Derrick have a fine grip on their work at Canton. Many of their people spoke appreciative words concerning their pastors.

The Madison County Fellowship Conference, though not largely attended was representative. Moderator Burns knows how to start and keep going.

Several Record campaigns have been promised for Madison County:

Madison County subscribers are as follows: Sharon 1; Ridgeland 3; Madison Station 25; Flora 14; Canton, First 21; Center Terrace 31; Camden 1.

HAZLEHURST

We attended our first conference as circulation manager of the Baptist Record a year ago and we were glad to go back again. We don't know about grace, but they have grown in numbers who attend associational conferences. But the lunch served this year was no better than last year's, for last year's was perfect. Those Hazlehurst folk know how to entertain.

Our last year's hosts, Dr. and Mrs. Burke, again showered us with hospitality overnight.

Copiah County is one of the Record's brag counties as the following figures show:

Wesson 70; Hopewell 1; Rockport 3; Martinville 1; Hazlehurst 106; Georgetown 25; Gatesville 2; Gallman 2; Crystal Springs 63; Carpenter 1.

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MEADVILLE

Bill Kyzar is the popular pastor at Meadville and is getting things done. Their beautiful new church would do honor to a town twice Meadville's size.

A crowded auditorium was on hand to greet us.

As to the dinner served—we decided to postpone reducing until later.

Most of the pastors present promised Record campaigns soon. That suited us.

Franklin County has subscribers as follows: Roxie 10; Lucien 1; McCall Creek 16; Quentin 1; Monroe 8; Meadville 9; Hamburg 6; Eddington 2; Bude 8.

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MONTGOMERY CHURCH (LINCOLN CO.)

A. W. Talbert is pastor of this fine country church and as ever, where Talbert is pastor the people support the whole program.

Nearly all Lincoln County churches were represented. But that was to be expected. Last year every Lincoln County church made a contribution to the denominational work.

Several promised Record campaigns, and evidently they mean it for one has already put it on.

Lincoln County subscribers by postoffice are as follows:

Ruth 6; Brookhaven 187; Bogue Chitto 18.

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HOW ELLARD DID IT

Nothing has given me as much pleasure as my recent canvass of my church membership to receive their subscriptions to the Baptist Record. Since there had been a dropping off of the subscriptions in our churches prior to our coming to this field, I felt that the members had some reason or prejudice which accounted for their discontinuing the paper.

But I found that our people, as a whole, were eager to have the Baptist Record in their homes. One widow said: "Yes, I want the Baptist Record. We do not take any paper." One who was a regular reader of the daily—subscribing to four—said: "I cannot afford not to take it."

So instead of stopping at half the homes, we have the Baptist Record in two-thirds of the Baptist homes in Carrollton and North Carrollton.

There was no secret to securing the subscribers. I just went to them personally and gave them a chance to subscribe for the only periodical which keeps Baptists informed about all of our work.

Yours truly,
Cecil H. Ellard, Pastor

Carrollton, Miss.

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THANKS

To those named below for lists of subscriptions recently sent in:

Rev. J. H. Street, Meridian, and 37 others; C. A. Morris, Tylertown; Mrs. J. D. Pittman, Tylertown; Rev. J. R. G. Hewlett, Charleston; Rev. L. E. Green, Prentiss, and 13 others; Rev. J. B. Middleton, Eupora, and 6 others; Rev. J. E. McCraw, Decatur; Miss Elois Tolar, Leland, and 40 others; Rev. A. B. Polsgrove, Charleston,

and 12 others; Rev. Judson Chastain, Lexington; Rev. Leon V. Young, Hazlehurst, and 4 others; Mr. W. E. Stewart, J. E. Miller, B. W. Beard, Leakesville; Mrs. M. M. Deatherage, Jackson; Mrs. F. D. Whatley, Pelahatchie; Rev. M. J. Derrick, Canton, and 21 others; Mr. D. B. Hilbun, Soso; Mr. Arthur Dean, Shipman; Rev. C. W. Black, Shivers; Mrs. H. M. Quillen, Amory; Mr. T. W. Black, Oxford; Miss Ethel Prince, Shuqualak; Rev. F. W. Gunn, Tylertown; Mrs. Boder, Mrs. M. C. Lawrence, Clarksdale; J. A. Mosley, Lucedale, Route 3; Mrs. N. E. Swearingen, Mrs. Roy Knighton, J. C. Lea, J. P. Mar-salis, Mrs. Claud Mabry, Mr. Louis Davis, Centreville; Mr. H. O. Ferrell, Mrs. Chas. Wassen, Indianola; Mrs. W. L. Saucier, Baxterville; Rev. N. B. Saucier, Elliott; Mr. A. G. Williams, Mrs. Emma Kent, Mr. G. O. Sanford, Mrs. H. V. Phillips, Mrs. Bill Martin, Mrs. M. C. Frances, Mr. H. S. Norris, Holcomb; Mr. Oscar Butler, Mr. Elzey Smith, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lindsey, Mr. and Mrs. P. K. Patterson, Mrs. Earl Gladney, Mrs. Carrie Harrell, Mrs. Ida Gillespie, Mrs. J. M. Gillespie, Mrs. Roy Lewis, Artesia; Mrs. Vick Barton, Derma; Rev. L. E. Lightsey, Montrose, and 11 others; Mrs. M. E. Peugh, Miss Kate Peugh, Aberdeen; Mr. Leopold Williams, Osyka, Route 5; Mr. G. Bobo, Mrs. J. R. Adams, Clarksdale; Mr. B. K. Bobo, Mrs. W. E. Aaron, Lyon; Rev. J. C. Richardson, Bay Springs, and 31 others; Mr. W. S. Oswalt, Ackerman; Rev. J. S. Deal, Weir; Mr. Harry Smallwood, Laurel; Mr. C. S. Baker, Senatobia and 22 others.

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A short visit to the W. M. U. Convention made it plain to this writer that the sisters know how to handle the business of a great assembly and to keep the program moving. No time is wasted. They go straight ahead and seem to have their minds geared to the clock. Their scripture motto for next year is to be "Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit saith the Lord of Hosts." This ought to cure us of any secularism, or dependence on human strength or machinery and renew our faith in the power of God. We understand that in addition to all their other tasks, they are assuming the responsibility of paying off \$50,000 of the debts on Southwide boards and institutions in the next two years. Now brethren, don't let us sit down and watch them do it.

People always ask with interest those returning from the Convention, "What sort of meeting." We are glad to say this meeting at St. Louis was one of the most smoothly running we have ever seen. We have seen others with more thrills and high spots, but this convention ran on an even keel from start to finish. There were no storms or sensational episodes. Those who read the daily papers may have gotten the idea that certain publicity hunters attracted attention and were outstanding features in the meeting. But this was not true. There seems to have been a side show somewhere in the offing, but we did not hear anybody speak of it who had attended. The people were simply determined not to be diverted from the purpose of the Convention. There were some outside meetings for fellowships like breakfasts or dinners or suppers for certain groups. There were special conferences for various workers, both preachers and laymen. They were all good. The personal contacts with individual brethren were delightful. But best of all the Convention attended strictly to business. Missions never had better consideration, and the hopeful note was dominant throughout. Foreign Missions had an afternoon and evening session, and a part of Sunday night's program. Home Missions fared almost as well. The debt paying has gone steadily on, and from henceforth Home Missions will get a more equitable share. Dr. Sampey is a great presiding officer, level headed, just and courteous. His address will appear in next week's Record. The editor could not remain to the close, but we expect to have next week a report of the joint meeting of Northern and Southern Baptists by brother W. E. Lee. We had a fair share of Mississippians present, but we missed some of the best of the flock.

SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

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Convention in dealing with all questions pertaining to the social life of the Baptists. A report was made by Dr. E. M. Poteat recommending the creation of such a bureau. A minority report was introduced by Dr. A. M. Parish opposing the establishing the bureau and recommending that the matter remain as at present. A motion was made to table both reports which prevailed.

The Convention adjourned with prayer led by Dr. J. R. Hobbs of Alabama.

FIRST DAY—EVENING SESSION

"Faith of Our Fathers" was sung and prayer was made. The rendering of a number of old familiar songs by a chorus from the choirs of churches in this city was greatly enjoyed.

Announcement was made by the President that Dr. F. S. Groner of Texas was struck by an automobile during the afternoon recess and had been carried to the Baptist Hospital in the city seriously hurt. Dr. M. E. Dodd led in prayer for Dr. Groner.

Baptist Bible Institute

The Bible Institute in New Orleans began its work in 1918, being now presided over by Dr. W. W. Hamilton who brought the Convention a report of the year's activities. The present faculty numbers twelve.

The total receipts for the year 1935 have been \$49,008.44. Of this amount \$21,637.83 came as "Designated" gifts; \$19,837.23 came from the Hundred Thousand Club and money sent direct to the Institute amounted to \$14,713.50. Eight years ago the indebtedness of the Institute was \$353,000 and it now stands at \$215,400, or a reduction in eight years of \$137,600.

The total enrolled in the 1935-36 session is 260: 164 taking the regular courses; 39 special students; 11 in the night classes only; 46 taking correspondence courses. One evidence of the fine quality of students at the Institute is the appointment by the Foreign Mission Board of so many of them to mission fields. In November when 26 were appointed, 6 of that number were from B. B. I.

The Southwestern Seminary

Dr. L. R. Scarborough, President of the Southwestern Seminary in Fort Worth, Texas, reported that during the past year there had been an enrollment of 579 students, an increase over last year of 102. There were 45 graduates. Other than in a financial way the past session is believed to have been the best in the institution's history.

The total receipts for the year were \$164,931.14 and total disbursements, \$168,606.35. The total indebtedness stands at \$454,412.08, not including interest and salaries due teachers, which amounts to \$70,342.75. The total assets reported is \$2,341,492.10 and the total endowment, \$527,912.82.

Dr. Scarborough said further in his report:

"We are glad to report from the beginning of the debt-paying campaign we have received \$60,396.48. We have paid on debts \$63,893.54, \$3,000.00 more than we received for debt-paying.

"We have reduced our force and expenses to the lowest possible point to maintain the efficiency of the Seminary. We have tried to maintain, though at great personal loss to the teachers, the Seminary at a maximum of efficiency.

"The Rio Grande Citrus Endowment Orchard consists of 1,200 acres given to the Seminary by Dr. and Mrs. T. W. Carter of Mercedes, Texas, and Mrs. G. W. Bottoms of Texarkana, Ark., for the permanent endowment of the Seminary. Two hundred acres of it is in bearing trees, 200 other acres in younger trees. By the agreement of Mrs. Bottoms, 500 acres of it was set apart for the purpose of sale and not included in the endowment. Out of this we have sold to the teachers around 160 acres and developed it in orchards, thus settling a large debt on back salaries. We have obtained an irrigation system by which the Seminary gets free water for irrigating this 1,200 acres.

"We call attention to the fact that the Southwestern Seminary has three schools in one—a School of Theology, a School of Religious Education and a School of Sacred Music. Thus we are preparing for the uses of the denomination trained, cultured, scholarly, evangelistic leaders for the pulpit and for the other fields of Christian education, gospel music and worldwide missions."

The Southern Baptist Seminary

In the report on the Southern Seminary made by Dr. J. R. Sampey it is stated:

The total operating receipts for the year, \$196,585.42; total General Endowment Accounts receipts, \$696,530.91; total Students' Aid Fund receipts, \$33,875.43.

The number of young men studying in the Seminary during the session which has just closed rose to 389, thirty-seven more than were matriculated during the previous session. The total number of men who have studied in the Seminary since its origin in 1859 is 7,379.

The past session was one of quiet study, with a marked interest in religious activities on the part of the students. Almost every student gave himself to some definite Christian work in or near Louisville. Since the Foreign Mission Board has begun to appoint men and women to strengthen our missionary forces some of our best men are volunteering for service on the front line. All this serves to quicken evangelistic zeal in all our hearts. The young men who remain in the homeland will go forth to kindle missionary fires in the churches that they serve. Retreat and discouragement are no longer sapping our strength. We have taken the offensive against the forces of darkness.

Dr. Weatherspoon's Address

This session being given to a consideration of the three Seminaries it was fitting that there be an address on "The Minister of Tomorrow" since the task of these institutions is to train the ministers of the future. This address was brought by Dr. J. B. Weatherspoon of the Southern Seminary. Among the many qualifications the minister of the future should possess mentioned by the speaker are these:

The minister of tomorrow must be a man of enlarging intellectual horizon, familiar with the world's thought, knowing not only what man ought to believe, but what they do believe, and possessing an intellectual insight that will command leadership. He must be a man of social passion, intensely evangelistic, able to diagnose human ill in the light of human conditions, and with the compassion of Jesus Christ. He must have a moral sense and possess a thorough and discerning knowledge of ethics, Christian and pagan, by which men live. For a minister to allow himself to be thought indifferent to morality in a day when Christian morals are challenged both in their private and public application is to show himself unfit to preach the unsearchable riches of Christ.

The minister of tomorrow must also possess a technique of leadership that is gained only through intelligent study. Men cannot expect to blunder into skill and wisdom either in preaching, or pastoral service, or church administration, or the interpretation of Christian truth. And supremely he must have a vital assurance of God and fellowship with Jesus Christ.

The Report of the Education Commission

A review of the work being done in the literary senior and junior colleges and academies in the Convention's territory was made in the report of the Education Commission by Dr. C. D. Johnson, chairman of Arkansas. There are 29 senior colleges with a student enrollment of 14,560. Twenty-one junior colleges with an enrollment of 4,439. There has been a loss in the junior colleges.

The property value of the schools shows an increase. The total property and endowment value of Baptist educational institutions is in excess of fifty millions.

An Address on Christian Education

The session closed with an address on Christian Education by Dr. J. W. Raley, president of

Oklahoma University, which was a passionate appeal for an education that is strictly Christian

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION

Following the singing of "Revive Us Again" Dr. Austin Crouch led in prayer. A number of other familiar songs were sung and the work of the day began.

Following the reading of the journal time was given to the consideration of some miscellaneous matters. An effort was made to open the discussion of the report of the special committee on Social Research which was tabled on yesterday. By a large majority it was ordered to remain on the table.

The Resolution Committee recommended that the passage of a resolution introduced by Dr. C. E. Maddry yesterday looking to the protection of Americans from persecution in Roumania, which was done. The resolution provides for the appointment of a committee, of which the President of this Convention shall be chairman, to carry out the provisions of the resolution by interceding with those who have the authority and power to secure this protection.

Report of Executive Committee

The first regular order was the report of the Executive Committee which was made by Chairman Austin Crouch. This is perhaps the most important consideration of the Convention since the scope of this committee is wider than any other, having under direction nearly all the work of the Convention. Some interesting items are culled from this report:

The present outlook is even brighter than it was at this time last year. The receipts of the office for Convention causes for 1935 were \$1,306,094.43, an increase of \$170,224.39 over the receipts of 1934. The months of January, February, March and April, 1936, show an increase of \$57,404.82 over the same period for 1935. The states reported an increase for all causes in 1935 of \$420,931.05. Texas leads in this increase, having given \$90,339.34 more than in 1934. However, Virginia leads in the amount given, having given \$477,485.

The Hundred Thousand Club, Frank Tripp, General Leader, shows a membership of 35,964 and that the total amount raised by the Club during the year was \$201,477.82; the total expense during the year, \$8,714.45, approximately 4.3%. The total amount raised by the Club during the past three years has been \$469,076.80 with a total expense of \$34,551.25.

This has been distributed among the agencies as follows:

Foreign Mission Board	\$138,497.64
Home Mission Board	98,356.32
National Baptist Memorial	2,157.50
New Orleans Hospital	9,924.21
Education Board	23,491.45
Sou. Baptist Theological Seminary	82,982.82
Southwestern Bap. Theol. Seminary	65,971.44
Baptist Bible Institute	46,832.48

The following percentages of distribution for Southwide causes for 1937 is recommended:

Foreign Mission Board	50%
Home Mission Board	23 1/3%
Relief and Annuity Board	7%
Education Board	3 1/3%
Sou. Bap. Theological Seminary	4 1/5%
Southwestern Bap. Theol. Sem.	4 1/5%
Baptist Bible Institute	3 9/10%
W. M. U. Training School	0 8/15%
American Bap. Theol. Seminary	1%
New Orleans Baptist Hospital	2 1/2%
Total	100%

In the matter of expenses of the Convention which the Executive Committee has to provide, it was expressed as the sentiment of the Convention that in the future a registration fee be charged and that the by-laws be amended so as to impose such fee on the messengers and visitors.

The Cooperative Program

Dr. Louie D. Newton of Georgia, scheduled to bring a report on the Cooperative Program, was detained at home by a death in his membership, so the discussion of the topic was by Dr. J. W.

Storer, now of Oklahoma but formerly a pastor in Mississippi.

Hundred Thousand Club

In an address on the One Hundred Thousand Club, Dr. Frank Tripp, its chief promoter, used as a scriptural base the words of Jesus, "No one is of any use to the Kingdom of God who puts his hand to the plow and then looks behind him." Luke 9:62. A forceful application of this text was made to the payment of the debts of the denomination, the speaker saying:

"We refer to our debt paying program as the Baptist Hundred Thousand Club, and to our regular money-gathering agency as the Co-operative Program. The fact of the business is, it is all a cooperative program. If one succeeds, both will succeed; if one fails, both will fail. We must not only pay our debts, but we must stay out of debt while we pay what we already owe. Southern Baptists need the taste and the thrill of a new achievement and victory. Some of us are working and praying that the day may not be too far distant when we can attend the sessions of a debtless convention."

Since the One Hundred Thousand Club Movement was inaugurated in 1933, \$1,296,922.48 have been paid on the debts as follows:

Foreign Mission Board	\$144,519.79
Home Mission Board	104,378.47
Southern Seminary	86,688.75
Southwestern Seminary	69,204.13
Baptist Bible Institute	49,148.68
New Orleans Hospital	10,456.94
Am. Seminary and Edu. Board	27,832.14

The debts on all the agencies of the Convention amount now to \$3,946,955.19. These figures are culled from a large chart hung over the stage in the Convention Hall prepared by Dr. Tripp.

An Inspirational Address

A little departure from the usual order of procedure was made by the Program Committee this year in that provision is made for an inspirational address to close each morning's session. This address was brought this morning by Dr. Wallace Bassett, of Texas, on "The Word Became Flesh," Jno. 1:14. It was a masterful presentation of the doctrine of the incarnation that refreshed all minds in turning them from the material to the spiritual.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION

Dr. I. E. Reynolds leading, the assembly sang heartily "Amazing Grace" and Dr. T. C. Eckton of Kentucky led in prayer.

Election of Officers

Perhaps in the shortest time ever consumed by the Convention in the choice of her officers, those who are to serve during the coming year were chosen at this time as follows:

President: Dr. J. R. Sampey, Kentucky.
First Vice-President: Mr. Wallace C. Goodson, Missouri.
Second Vice-President: Dr. John L. Whorton, Texas.
Recording Secretaries: Drs. Hight C. Moore and J. H. Burnett.

A General Promotion Agent

Upon recommendation of the Executive Committee the Convention authorized the selection by the committee a general promotion agent to take the place of Dr. Frank Tripp, who has served notice that he can not serve longer.

In a resolution introduced by Dr. J. W. Storer the thanks of the Convention is expressed to the First Church of St. Joseph, Mo., for releasing their pastor, Dr. Tripp, for three years to lead in the promotion of the 100,000 Club and to Dr. Tripp for his faithful service.

The Baptist Brotherhood

Dr. J. T. Henderson, General Secretary, reviewed the work done among the laymen during the year in his report to the Convention this afternoon. Dr. Henderson said:

That during the past year the Brotherhood has continued its policy of stressing the organization of Brotherhoods, both church and associa-

tional, Missions, Stewardship of Life, weekly support based on the tithe; the association as an enlistment agency, church schools that included men, study classes for deacons, Laymen's Day, Belmont Covenant Plan, the promotion of these and some other minor interests in thorough harmony with the pastor, the church and the denominational program.

By instruction of the Convention the Brotherhood Committee recently elected Lawson H. Cooke of Richmond, Va., as Associate Secretary and he is now on the field, making his headquarters in Memphis, Tenn.

Upon recommendation the first Sunday in April, 1937, is designated as Laymen's Day in all the churches, on which day an effort will be made to have the pulpits occupied by laymen. The laymen in an increasing way are giving themselves to promotion of the Lord's work.

The Relief and Annuity Board

The review of the work of this board, which is to provide relief to the aged, and retired ministers and their widows, was made by Secretary T. J. Watts in his annual report.

Dr. Watts reported that during the past year the relief benefits paid amounted to \$73,485.37, and this amount was paid to 1,065 ministers and widows, about equally divided, in whose homes it is estimated there were 150 dependent children. We began the year 1936 with 1,160 beneficiaries. The relief benefits paid by the board from 1918 to January 1, 1936, aggregate \$1,827,684.05.

The income of the Board for 1935 aggregated \$487,466.35. The expenditures for the year amounted to \$352,753.66, excess of income over expenditures being \$134,712.69.

The total assets of the board December 31, 1935, were \$4,326,491.05 as against \$4,212,678.89 last year; total annuity reserves, \$3,696,413.02; total relief reserves, \$448,559.64; total Foreign Mission Board reserves, \$25,152.55; general contingent reserves, \$155,138.02.

There are now 1,395 active annuitants in the old annuity fund and 81 holders of paid-up certificates; total, 1,476.

Dr. J. M. White led in a closing prayer.

SECOND DAY—EVENING SESSION

Following the usual song service Dr. M. N. McCall of Cuba led in prayer.

Home Missions

This session was given to the consideration of the Home Mission work and the program was under the direction of Secretary J. B. Lawrence. It opened with a special musical number rendered by a chorus of Pima Indians from Arizona. Dr. Lawrence presented the report of the board in which is shown that the Home Mission Board is working in our cities, among the Indians, foreigners, and Negroes, and in Cuba and Panama, but the work it is doing is a small part of what is necessary to be done to possess the land fully. We have only one missionary to the 500,000 Jews; eleven missionaries to the 650,000 French-speaking Americans; seven missionaries to the 300,000 Spanish-speaking Americans; eight missionaries to the 600,000 Italians; two missionaries to the 7,000 Chinese; six missionaries to the 2,900,000 Europeans; forty-four missionaries to more than 800,000 Mexicans; seventy-one missionaries to the 2,500,000 Cubans; eight missionaries to the 150,000 people in the Canal Zone and Panama; 18 missionaries to the 10,000,000 Negroes; and 24 missionaries to the 200,000 Indians. Taking the entire unchurched group of 46,000,000 people in Home Mission fields, including Central America, which is a Home Mission field, and we have on the average only one missionary for every 170,000 people.

In 1935, the board received from all sources, \$416,576.85. This was \$82,880.82 more than was received in 1934. Of this amount the women gave \$101,547.97 in the Annie W. Armstrong offering during the March Week of Prayer. We have not yet received the full returns from the Annie W. Armstrong offering in 1936, but up to

date have received \$69,063.42, which is \$9,151.56 more than had been received at this time in 1935.

The budget fixed for the year was \$150,000 for mission work and \$194,897.67 for interest and principal on debt. The board has operated within the budget and now for over two years has met all its obligations without borrowing money. The only interest we are paying now is on the old debt.

We are gradually but surely decreasing our debt. The board feels that it is rendering a real service to the denomination in holding steadily to the task of meeting in full its obligations. The board has received from the Hundred Thousand Club up to May 1, 1936, \$98,766.37, all of which has been paid on the principal of the debts.

Since the last report the wills and bequests amount to \$9,667.64.

Dr. Lawrence in speaking to the report of the board announced that the money is already in hand with which to reestablish the department of Evangelism that was discontinued some years ago. On motion of Dr. M. E. Dodd the board is authorized to begin again this much needed work.

A number of the workers in the various departments were introduced by Dr. Lawrence as were some of the missionaries, the latter of whom brought brief messages. This contact with the missionaries that is made in each convention deepens the interest in the missionary work being done by them.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION

The devotional service consisted of songs and a prayer led by Dr. F. M. McConnell of Texas.

Time, Place and Preacher

In the adoption of the report of the committee on Time, Place and Preacher, New Orleans was selected as the place of the next Convention. Dr. Solon B. Couzens of Richmond, Va., was appointed to preach the annual sermon with Dr. J. W. Storer of Tulsa, Okla., as the alternate. Wednesday, May 12, was recommended by the committee as the meeting date but on motion of Dr. Edgar Godbold of Missouri, out of deference to the women, who hold their convention immediately preceding the general Convention, to prevent an overlapping, the report was amended fixing the opening day as Thursday instead of Wednesday. This means that the sessions will embrace Sunday and the final adjournment will be Monday.

The Tabled Motion

An effort was made again this morning, in a motion made by W. D. Upshaw, to reopen the matter of establishing a social service bureau proposed in a report previously made by a special committee which report was tabled, but the proposition remains a silent issue.

Memorial Service

The Convention paused in its business proceedings at this time to pay tribute to Dr. Joshua Levering who has died since the last Convention. Dr. Sampey delivered a fitting memorial address and it was ordered that the secretaries be instructed to send the widow of Dr. Levering a telegram expressing the sympathy of the Convention and expression of appreciation of her honored husband.

Woman's Work

The work being done by the women of the South was reviewed in a report made by Dr. F. B. Thorn of Texas. As to the number of organizations and contributions the report shows that the total number of Woman's Missionary Union organizations in the Southern Baptist Convention is 34,645 with an aggregate membership of 593,766. Of this number 11,407 are Woman's Missionary Societies, with a reported membership of 293,833, and 23,238 are young people's organizations, with a membership of 299,883. These organizations contributed during the past year to denominational causes a total of \$1,972,370.39. The total number of tithers reported, 95,292.

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Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

OUR STATE OFFICERS

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Edwina Robinson Y. P. Secretary

Pastors—Counselors—Parents—you are the ones who will help make it possible for your boys to be in this great Missionary Emphasis meeting for your boys. Representative Home and Foreign Missionaries will be present, also several of our outstanding Mississippi ministerial students from both Seminaries and the Institute. A real camp program is planned—beginning Tuesday morning, June 2nd at 9:30 and closing Saturday after lunch.

State Stewardship Declamation Contest for Junior and Intermediate R. A.'s to be held during the Camp.

WHAT TO BRING: Sheet, R. A. Manual and armband, Bible, notebook, pencils, white pants, white shirt, swimming suit, towels, soap, comb, tooth brush and paste, extra clothing, baseball and tennis equipment, musical instrument, pillow if desired.

WHAT WE'LL DO: Every day will be full of full, inspiration and achievement, with swimming, tennis, baseball, volley ball, relay races, hikes, mission stories, song feats, devotionals, work on R. A. ranks, everything that makes a camp worthwhile and everything planned so that you'll really enjoy it.

Edwina Robinson

I am sure you are looking forward to the district meeting in June. Miss Kathleen Mallory, our Southwide Corresponding Secretary, is to be with us, also our State President, Mrs. Ned Rice. Plans projected in the St. Louis Convention will be presented. Meet us at your district meeting. The dates and places are given below:

District Meeting Dates

Dist. 4—Blue Mountain	June 2
Dist. 3—Oxford	June 3
Dist. 5—Shuqualak	June 4
Dist. 7—Mt. Olive	June 8
Dist. 8—New Hebron	June 9
Dist. 1—Lexington	June 10
Dist. 2—Clarksdale	June 11
Dist. 6—Forest	June 12

An interesting letter from one of our newest missionaries:

Bahia, Brazil.

My dear friends:

Two weeks of classes are over. How I wish you could see our pretty kitchen! It is just like a picture—all in white with touches of red and black. Painted on the wall is a very interesting border—a ballet of pots, pans, spoons and vege-

tables. We even have a General Electric Refrigerator undaunted by the cold north wind or the hot tropical sun. This was to please the company. The curtains are white voile with red applique flowers. One lady liked them so well she asked where we got the red velvet for the flowers for she was making her some just like them. Kate told her—good red calico, price 15 cents a yard. Another said she didn't think Bahia could possibly have anything so beautiful.

At the reception we had before classes began we put out on display all the interesting and intricate gadgets furnished by the Missouri Auxiliaries. Our pupils especially liked the Mixer from the Calvary Vacation Bible School and all the gadgets with red handles. Dulce and I made one large and many little fancy cakes which proved to be quite an advertisement.

Our sala (dining room and reception room for the classes) is all furnished in antiques. We have real museum pieces all found in second-hand stores among their trash. Brazilians do not appreciate this hand-carved furniture. Your missionaries had to make the rugs, since we neither had money nor rugs to buy in Bahia. We bought heavy tapestry and quilted it to burlap, made fringe and presto there were three beautiful rugs. You ask if they will wear? Well, probably not, but at least we will get our ten dollars worth out of them and they are really beautiful.

Our first meeting was a prayer meeting, a real dedication service. Our primary purpose is not to teach "Arte Culinaria and China Painting" but to teach Christ so we dedicated our kitchen and everything in it to His glory. It is our hope and prayer that every time the Mixer is used to stir eggs, sugar, etc., that we can be used to stir the Gospel deep into the hearts of our pupils. Pray for us!

Most of the schools here have opened and we have a dozen girls in the boarding department. Last week we organized the "Sociedade de Mocas da Escola Domestica" (our Y. W. A.) The membership is made up of the girls who stay here and the other Baptist young women enrolled in the various schools whose homes are here in Bahia. They are all potential teachers, doctors, and lawyers. This is really the best looking Y. W. A. I have ever tried to lead. We meet every Monday night, either for program or mission study. They are now studying Ann of Ava which has just recently been translated into Portuguese. As soon as we finish the study the girls are going to put on that playlet, "The Heroine of Ava." I am translating it in my Portuguese class (with much help from Noemi).

Many things here are very hard to get accustomed to. For instance—I remember how horrified we used to be when driving through the Ozarks when we saw the people sitting on their porches bare-footed. Everybody does it here, or wears chinelos (just a flat sole with a strap over the toe). There are two reasons for this. Brazilian shoes are most uncomfortable. A Brazilian woman just can't imagine what it would be like to wear a shoe that didn't hurt. One can't blame them for getting them off as soon as possible. The other reason is the heat. If you wear shoes all the time your feet break out in blisters. It isn't unusual to see people walking home carrying their shoes. The majority of our high class pupils take their shoes off and walk around in

stocking feet during class. I don't know whether I'll ever get to be a good Brazilian in this respect or not.

The great Carnival is over for another year. Most Brazilians just live for carnival-time. You just can't imagine what it is like! A whole nation goes crazy for three days and nights (just before Lent). This is a festa fostered by the Catholic church in honor of the god "mammon." It is three days free dispensation from sin. The people do absolutely as they please. There are no laws for the three days. All business stops, even the street cars and buses quit running. The carnival begins on Sunday. We tried to have services in the morning but since there is neither respect for God or man the heathen made a disturbance. We did not try in the afternoon and evening for our Christian people do not like to go out on the street at this time. As a necessary part of my education Kate took me out on Tuesday. Dulce's uncle lives at one of the big hotels down town and he got us a place to sit on the veranda. We sat and looked on from four in the afternoon until mid-night. We were ready to come by 7:30 but could not get through the crowd on the street. Bahia has a population of 350,000 and they were all out on the main street plus many thousands more from other cities. In the matter of eating these people certainly differ from us. One of the main features of a fair or carnival at home is the pop-corn, peanuts, hot-dogs and ice cream cones. But Brazilians don't eat during the carnival. You can't buy a nickel's worth of anything. All restaurants and eating places are closed. The hotels will only serve meals to their regular boarders. I saw enough to last me for the next 20 years and had to go to bed for the rest of the week. The golden text for the Sunday school lesson was, "You cannot worship God and mammon."

In answer to the many letters about my health I'll say this—I'm fixed conversationally for the rest of my life. I had an attack of acute appendicitis on January first and was operated on that evening by a Brazilian doctor, in a Brazilian hospital, and had a Brazilian servant. She really doesn't deserve the title of nurse for she had never given a patient a bath, in fact had never heard of such a thing. She thought sure I was going to die when Kate gave me that first bath. She had many curious ideas; I gave her a New Testament and she started reading it. Pray for her.

I couldn't have had a better doctor in Kansas city. His three lovely daughters are now our pupils. Thanks to good care and all the prayers here and there I am now rapidly on the road to my normal good health. Am still rather weak. Whenever I undertake too much I have to pay for it by staying in bed for a couple of days. But there is so much to do and so much Portuguese for me to learn that it is hard to hold back.

Do not forget to pray for me every day as I try to be your faithful steward in Bahia.

Love and best wishes,
Alberta Steward

Professor: "I would like a preparation of phenylisothiocyanate." Doctor: "Do you mean mustard oil?" Professor: "Yes, I can never think of that name."—Ex.

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EAST MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT

By R. L. BRELAND

Family Reunion

One of the pioneer families of
Neshoba County held its annual re-
union May 10th. The gathering
was held at the home of Mr. and
Mrs. Walter Griffin of the Cold-
water community. This was the
Rhodes family. A man by the name
of Rhodes settled near what is now
McDonald soon after the county
was organized. He had a number of
sons and daughters. Among them
were Frank Rhodes, Wiley Rhodes,
Mrs. Coates, Mrs. Pace and Mrs.
Morris. All these are now dead.

A large number of children and
grandchildren of these were at the
reunion. Mrs. Mollie Rhodes of Ne-
shoba, wife of the late Frank
Rhodes, was the only one of the
older set present. She is getting
rather aged. All her children were
present: Ben Rhodes, Murphy
Rhodes, Mrs. Walter Griffin and
Mrs. Velma Bankston. They had a
good day together.

The morning hour was taken up
by singing and a sermon by Rev.
W. A. Williams of Kosciusko, a
relative by marriage. In the after-
noon there was more singing and a
sermon by the writer who has
known the family for half a cen-
tury. The Griffin singers from
Black Jack church were present and
did much to make the day a happy
one with their songs, solos, duets
and other music.

At the noon hour, under the
shades of the oaks in the forest
near the home, an abundant and
much relished meal was spread. The
family and friends, about 150 of
whom were present, brought boxes
of food, pots of coffee, tubs of
lemonade and churns of ice tea. It
was partaken of liberally, and yet
much was left. The reunion will be
held with Mr. and Mrs. Clay Bank-
ston three miles east of Union the
third Sunday in May, 1937.

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The North-Central Baptist Study

Union will meet with Monte Vista
Baptist Church, Webster County,
Monday, May 25th. Matthew 12 to
18 will be studied. Sermon by Rev.
Cooper Hartley.

The writer regrets that he was
unable to attend the meeting of the
Southern Baptist Convention this
year. He feels sure that it was a
great meeting. May the blessings
of the Lord be upon the work laid
out. He attended his first meeting
of this body at Hot Springs, Ark.,
in 1908. He has not missed many
meetings since. Some pleasures
must be missed.

The appeal from the Calvary
Baptist Church of Tupelo should im-
press our hearts. Every Baptist
church in the state can help a lit-
tle to rebuild this new church and
not miss it, but it will mean much
to this suffering church. Give the
church an opportunity for a free-
will offering. You will get some-
thing if you will explain it to them.

Again I have received an invita-
tion to attend the birthday cele-
bration of Grandma Allday of Em-
bry, Miss. She is above eighty, the
last of her family of brothers and
sisters, the Nicholson family of Ne-
shoba County. It will be a real
pleasure to spend a day with these
friends of former days. May she
live to celebrate many more birth-
days.

One of our splendid young ladies
is finishing her nursing course at
the Baptist Memorial Hospital,
Memphis, Tuesday evening, May
19th—Miss Leora Simpson, of Cof-
feeville. Congratulations to this fine
lady in her success in finishing her
course in a great profession.

Rev. J. E. McCraw, pastor of
Clarke-Venable Memorial Baptist
Church, Decatur, Miss., will assist
in the meeting at Pittsboro Baptist
Church beginning the fourth Sun-
day in July. He is one of the writ-
er's boys and best friends, a good
preacher and pastor. The writer
hopes to be with Pastor McCraw
and his good church at Beulah,
Newton County, the third Sunday in
August. He was pastor there for
six years several years ago.

A circular letter is being sent out
by the Ministerial Board of the
State Convention which suggests
that we put more emphasis in our
colleges on the training of young
preachers. The writer, who is a
member of said board, is in full
accord with that suggestion. No
less emphasis should be placed on
"creating a Christian atmosphere in
which our boys and girls may be
educated." But we need more money
to repair and renew the cottages
for our ministerial students. And
we will never get it until we re-
emphasize training our young
preachers.

—BR—

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE

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Honoring both the old and new
officers of the religious activities
of Mississippi College and Hillman
College, the annual installation ban-
quet was held in the form of a
Television Banquet.

Being ably guided by Chester
Swor, student secretary, the tele-
vision idea was of course well
planned and filled with delightful
fun and interest.

Opening the program by singing

the anthem "Praise God," the ban-
quet proper was underway. J. T.
Manning played several tunes on
his saxophone, accompanied by Miss
Marian Robinette.

One of the important features of
the program was the farewell ad-
dresses of the retiring council mem-
bers. Robert Harris, Cecil Knox,
Alvin Huffman, and W. D. Hilton
each gave a last challenge to the in-
coming officers.

In keeping with the television
thought of the banquet, Frank
Huffman spoke on Vision, the first
phase of television. He pointed out
the need of going deeper with
Christ in the prayer life as well as
in the personal contacts. One needs
to go higher in personal service for
the Master.

For the second phase of televis-
ion, Provision, Bowen Dees remind-
ed the group of the importance of
the deep seriousness of the enlist-
ment work. Bringing the idea to a
climax Bill Huff, speaking on Su-
provision, told of the field of co-
operation in prayer and in helping
others.

To bring an evening such as this
to a close would be impossible with-
out a fun period. This was led by
Paul Stevens and consisted of sing-
ing several lively and enjoyable
tunes. "Taps: A Memorial," was
sounded by Chester as a concluding
feature of the evening, after the
new officers had been recognized.

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HOW IT WORKS IN TEXAS

Virgil M. Hailey

—O—

I appreciate the persistent effort
of the Record to present the situa-
tion in other states where liquor is
sold and to prevent Mississippi
from legalizing it. Our county might
serve as another example.

Our county, Willacy, is far down
the Gulf Coast and next to the last
county to Mexico. Its population is
about two-thirds American and one-
third Mexican. Its moral and cul-
tural ideals are those of a new
country where men have come to
make money rather than to make
homes and the influence of the bor-
der makes a downward pull.

When the question of legalizing
the sale of hard liquors was before
the people of Texas last year the
Christian people of our county were
organized and made an aggressive
fight with the result that this coun-
ty voted dry though the rest of the
state voted wet and liquor was
therefore forced upon us without
our consent. Our town of 3,000 now
has five "beer parlors" and three
"package stores."

The results of all this was seen
last week in a most deplorable way
during the celebration of our onion
harvest. Ours is an onion raising
section and the harvest is celebrat-
ed annually with an "Onion Fiesta."
This Fiesta lasted three days—Fri-
day, Saturday, and Sunday and was
attended by hundreds from all over
the Rio Grande Valley. Liquor flow-

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MISS THYRA GOODRICH

Daughter of Rev. A. L. Goodrich,
Circulation Manager of The Baptist
Record. She is graduating from
Blue Mountain College.

ed freely and local officers said
they had not seen so much drunk-
enness since the county was or-
ganized; a street dance on Friday
night led to one of the wildest
orgies that one could imagine and
Saturday and Sunday were little
better. Nine major crimes were
committed during these days—that
is nine that were reported and got
into the papers. These crimes in-
cluded two cars stolen, three bur-
glaries, one hold-up, knife scrapes,
and one case of kidnapping and
rape of a seven year old girl. Dur-
ing these days some of our towns-
men lost their jobs because of
drinking, women and young girls
were subjected to indignities, gamb-
ling was rife, and breaks came in
homes which caused separation of
husband and wife. The statements
in this last sentence are general
but I know the particular instances
which bear out their truth. Besides
all this there was much more, for
only the most glaring finds its way
to the public and the true condi-
tions of drinking, gambling, impuri-
ty, and indecency cannot be fully
known.

By all means and at whatever
cost, keep Mississippi dry. A wet
state is no place to conduct a busi-
ness or rear a family.

—BR—

Visitor at Private Hospital: "May
I see Lt. Smith, please?"

Matron: "We do not allow ordi-
nary visiting. May I ask if you are
a relative?"

Visitor (boldly): "Oh, yes. I'm his
sister."

Matron: "Dear me! I'm glad to
meet you. I'm his mother."

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Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by
L. BRACEY CAMPBELL

Lesson for May 24

Golden Text: "In your patience ye shall win your souls." Luke 21:19.

The word "patience" translates a word which is compounded of a preposition which means "under," and a verb which means "to remain." In your remaining beneath your burden and bearing it for Jesus' sake, "Ye shall win your souls." There is need in the Christian walk for patience. There are loads to be carried, hardships to be endured, work of the hardest sort to be done. Only the man who endures becomes the master of his soul. "Ye shall win your souls." Is not my soul already mine? Oh, yes! So is my piano mine. I bought it and paid for it, and can hold title to it against all the world. I have title to the possession of it, but I do not own it in any real sense. I am not master of it. I can not command it to the doing of what it was made to do. I waited too long ever to win it by the patient effort which such gaining of the mastery over it requires. My soul may be mine in possession, but I have not mastered it and thus won it in the finer sense until through patient endeavor I have gained the skill to make it serve the higher purposes and attain the loftier ends.

THE CONQUERING KING COMBATS CONSPIRACY

Longer Lesson, Luke 20, 21.

Printed Text, Luke 20:45-47; 21:1-9, 34-36.

In the opening words of the chapter we find our Lord about His chosen work. He was "teaching the people," giving an exposition of the Messianic content of the Old Testament, the application of which to His own character and work was "preaching the gospel." This gospel was that which He had proclaimed throughout His ministry. The Kingship of God and the availability of God to the individual soul, through the presence in the midst of them of God become flesh, the new and precious form in which God had drawn nigh them. This was His gospel. He came and said, "The Kingdom of heaven is at hand," which means it is here now. Once He said, "The Kingdom of heaven is among you," and this He said because He was there among them. It was while He was evangelizing thus that His enemies came upon Him.

Luke 20:1-8. In Combat with the Sanhedrin.

It was a formal delegation made up of three classes named by Luke, "the chief priests," the spiritual rulers; "the scribes," the moral rulers; "the elders," the civil rulers. They came arrayed in their distinctive robes of office, and constituted a delegation calculated to overwhelm the common people with reverence and awe. They made a demand of Him, and the demand was authoritative. They said "Tell us," two things. We are demanding to

know, 1. "By what authority doest thou these things?" presuming to disturb the established order by your driving the money changers out of the temple, and upsetting the orderly course of things as we have them going? 2. "Who is he that gave thee this authority?" We are the only people around here that have authority to grant such authority as you have been wielding, and we did not give it you. There were proper questions. When a man, any man, claims to speak or act with authority, other men have a right to know the source and extent of his authority. Note the method of His reply. He demanded of them, "Tell me." They said, "Tell us," he responded, "Tell me." He assumed authority to demand of them. "The baptism of John, was it from heaven, or from men?" The rulers took counsel and decided not to answer Jesus. They took counsel of their fears upon each hand. He hung them upon the horns of a dilemma from which they could not escape. They retreated from it behind a lie, and He promptly presumed to refuse to answer them. "Acknowledge my authority to demand of you, and I will answer you. Dispute that authority by refusing to answer Me, and I shall refuse to answer you."

II. A Story-Sword Thrust Through the Heart of Hatred. Vv. 9-18.

The parable of the vineyard. The proprietor of the vineyard is God. The vineyard is the Jewish state with what it means of responsibility, privilege, promise, reward. The planting of it was its establishment in Palestine. The husbandmen were the administrators of the government under God — judges, kings, priests, and all that constituted the government. The fruits expected by the proprietor were obedience to His will, which was to prepare the way for a universal reign of grace to sinful men. The servants were the prophets, sent in succession to require this fruit at the hands of the people, represented and moulded by their rulers. These servants were sent repeatedly. See what occurred to them. Many of them were ill-treated, a number of them were killed, one of whom was John the Baptist. The Son is the Lord Jesus, whom these husbandmen are at this moment planning to kill.

What will the Owner of the vineyard do after the husbandmen have killed His Son? "He shall come and destroy these husbandmen, and shall give the vineyard to others." The privileges of the Kingdom were withdrawn from the Jews as a visible polity. Some of them that heard it, undoubtedly some of those who were members of the delegation, cried out, "Let it not be." I do not like the King James Bible expression, "God forbid," because it does not translate what the Bible says, and because it is profanation of the name of the Most High to drag it into such vehement expressions a thousand times when the Holy Spirit left it out of the Bible out of reverence for the ineffable name. The expression is, "Let it not be," "Far be it."

"What then is this that is written?" The rejected stone is become the head of the corner. The rulers of the Jewish people have rejected Jesus only to see Him exalted to

the loftiest position of honor. The stone is represented as lying on the ground. He who stumbles over it will be broken. Then it is conceived of as being lifted up ready to be precipitated on the heads of those whom it will in falling upon scatter as dust.

III. A Coin Converted Into A Bludgeon. Vv. 19-26.

"Is it lawful for us to give tribute (pay taxes) to Caesar, or not?" "Now we have Him? Let Him say, 'No!' and we will turn Him over to the Roman governor as a rebel, inciting the people to refuse to pay taxes to their Roman masters. Let Him say, 'Yes,' and He loses His popularity with the people. Whether He says 'Yes,' or 'No,' we have Him."

But He said, "Show Me a denarius," a Roman coin used in paying taxes. One of them had such a coin, and gave it to Him. His enemies had the coin. They were using it, and in using it, they were acknowledging their indebtedness to the power which issued it, owning the sovereignty over them of the nation whose coin they were using. "Whose image and superscription hath it?" The face of the reigning emperor was embossed upon the coin of any reign. On the reverse side of the coin the name of the emperor was engraved, and his title. The coin, then, belonged to Caesar. Very well, give him that which is his. But behind all coin and all material wealth, whose image do you bear upon your face and form and soul and self? Who has written the title of His ownership all over you? Very well, give all that is His to Him. "Render (give) to Caesar all that belongs to him, and give to God all that belongs to Him."

IV. Silencing the Sadducees. Vv. 27-40.

The Sadducees, "They that say


that there is no resurrection." They tell Him a story which they intend shall appear to be a grotesque illustration. They showed in the story that they were gross materialists. He answered by drawing a sharp distinction between "this age," and "that age." The sons of this age marry and the daughters of this age are given in marriage, but in "that world" they who are accounted worthy of it equal to the angels. There are no sex distinctions in heaven, but its inhabitants are sons of God, being sons of the resurrection.

But Moses heard God speak out of the burning bush and say, "I am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." God is not the God of dead men but of living men, for all men live unto Him. He is not the God who was God of Abraham when there was an Abraham, but he is the God now of the Abraham who is now, of the Abraham who shall be clothed in a new body when the resurrection shall be consummated. The Sadducees saw that they had been worsted in the combat, and they withdrew crestfallen from the field. The discomfiture of the Sadducees was not altogether distasteful to the Pharisees. They complimented Him upon His answer to the Sadducees, and He turned upon them with a question.

V. Harpooning Hypocrites. Vv. 41-47.

"How say they that the Christ is David's son?" David called Him Lord. How can David's son be

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The report states further that study stimulates service and stirs to sacrifice. During the past year 33,907 mission study classes were conducted. As a result 72,617 seals were awarded to those in the young people's organization and 133,515 seals to the women, many of whom have completed the prescribed courses of five, six or eight books.

Following Dr. Thorn's discussion of the report Mrs. F. W. Armstrong, President of Southwide W. M. U. work, was introduced as were workers in the various departments, each bringing a message.

A guest of the W. M. U. Convention, held as a preliminary to this Convention, was Nannie Burroughs, (Colored), Washington, D. C., corresponding secretary of the W. M. Union Auxiliary to the National Baptist Convention who in an address thrilled the Convention.

American Baptist Theological
Seminary

Dr. E. P. Alldredge, acting secretary of the American Theological Seminary, brought the report of the work being done in this institution in the training of young Negro preachers. The Convention has a small part in maintaining this school paid out of the Cooperative funds. In April of this year Dr. J. M. Nabrit of Atlanta, Ga., was elected president. Sixty students have been enrolled during the past session. After speaking to the report Dr. Alldredge introduced a quartette from the Seminary who rendered two "spirituals" that were greatly enjoyed.

In connection with the report on the National Seminary was a scheduled address on Educating the Negro Baptist Preacher by Dr. Noble Y. Beall of Alabama, who is giving his life in this field. Dr. Beall brought forward Dean H. M. Smith of Bishop College, Texas, a Negro institution, who thrilled the Convention as did the Negro woman in connection with the consideration of the work of the women.

The responsibility of Southern Baptists in training adequate leaders among the Negroes is realized, said Dr. Beall when it is seen that the Negro has responded to the principles and practices of Baptists. It is estimated that 64% of all Negro Christians are Baptists. The first Negro Baptist in America was one Quassey in Newton, Rhode Island, in 1743. Now there are nearly 4,000,000 Negro Baptists in America. The first Negro Baptist church was the Silver Bluff Baptist Church, Aiken County, South Carolina, in 1773. Now there are more than 22,000 Negro Baptist churches. The Richmond African Baptist Missionary Society was the first one in the South. Lott Carey was the first foreign missionary to go from the South. He was a member of the First Baptist Church, made up of white and colored, of Richmond, Va. He went to Liberia in 1821. Now there are nearly 100 missionaries. The first Negro Baptist Convention was the Northwestern and Southern Baptist Convention in 1864 in St. Louis, Mo. Now there are two National Baptist Con-

ventions with from one to four State Conventions in each state, each having W. M. U., B. Y. P. U., and Sunday School Conventions. Negro Baptists have made the most rapid progress of any single group of Baptists in the world.

Special Devotional Message

In the inspirational message at this time by Dr. Jno. H. Buchanan of Virginia, used the text "Who Went About Doing Good," Acts 10: 39. In the discussion the work which Jesus has done was shown to be vastly superior to that done by anything or anyone else. This work was magnified and brought all to see more clearly his greatness and to appreciate him more. Dr. W. B. Binns led in a closing prayer.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION

After singing "I Need Thee Every Hour" and "My Faith Looks Up to Thee," the program is resumed.

Baptist Papers

The consideration of the Baptist papers is opened with the reading of the report by Dr. John L. Whorton of Texas. In the report it is said:

"There is probably no literature published by Southern Baptists which has a more far reaching influence and renders a greater service than our Baptist papers. They are the pack horses of the denomination. They are light-houses of information and a most inspiring example of cooperation wherever and whenever Baptists are called to a united effort in the Lord's kingdom work. The purpose of Baptist papers in service is as broad as the command of our risen Lord. There is no phase of the great commission with which they do not comply both in spirit and in deed.

Baptist papers belong to Baptists and if they are to accomplish the fullest measure of success, they must receive the wholehearted support of their household. Their existence is the result of a need, keenly felt by our people, for some medium through which they might both give and get information and inspiration for the work of a common cause.

The pastor's attitude toward our Baptist papers will, almost invariably, be the attitude of his church. If only a few of the membership are receiving the state Baptist paper it is almost certain that the pastor says but little or nothing about it from the pulpit, other public places, or in the homes. One of the strongest aids in the pastor's organization is this periodical. It is always found loyal and true to every cause which lies near his heart.

Among the many influences which have served to make our Baptist conventions great, none have been more instrumental than our denominational papers. Months before such conventions meet, both state and Southern, our papers begin to herald the news of the approaching events so that both churches and individuals may "set their houses in order" for these great gatherings. Through the pages of the papers our boards and institutions are permitted to give much valuable advance information about their accomplishments and needs which enables messengers to go to the conventions with sufficient information to know how to intelligent-

ly set themselves to laying plans for the work of another year.

The circulation of our Baptist papers, we are glad to report, is constantly on the increase.

Your committee would advise that the ideal way is to include the denominational state paper in the annual church budget an item of church literature, and to send it to the homes of all the members of the church."

Chaplains of the Army and Navy

In the report of the committee on chaplains of the Army and Navy it is stated a general committee is located in Washington representing twenty-four evangelical denominations including the Y. M. C. A. the function of which is to pass on and recommend for appointment those in these denominations applying for the work of a chaplain. There is an increased demand for chaplains due to the establishment of the CCC camps and this imposes greater work upon the committee. Forty-eight applications have been made by Southern Baptist ministers and the committee approved thirty-six, fifteen of whom received appointment. The name of the committee was ordered changed from "The Committee on Chaplains of Army and Navy" to "The Committee on Public Relations."

Addresses

The remainder of the sessions program was given to addresses on the following subjects: "The Chinese Baptist Centennial" by Dr. Wade H. Bryant of Virginia; "The Achievement in China During the Century" by Dr. P. H. Anderson, a missionary to China, and G. C. Ching, pastor of the Northgate Church, Shanghai, China; "Facing the New Century" by Dr. M. T.

Rankin, secretary for the Orient.

SECOND DAY—EVENING
SESSION

Songs were sung and W. C. Taylor, missionary to Brazil, led in prayer.

Foreign Missions

This session was given to a consideration of the Foreign Mission work being done by Southern Baptists. Dr. C. E. Maddry, secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, was in charge of the program.

From the report of the board, made to the Convention, it is learned:

The Board now has 400 missionaries in the following countries. Africa, Argentina, North and South Brazil, Chile, Central, Interior, North and South China, Hungary, Italy, Japan, Jugo-Slavia, Mexico, Palestine-Syria, Roumania and Spain.

The total receipts last year, exclusive of borrowed money, were \$1,294,613.71 and the total disbursements were \$1,293,425.35.

The objective of the W. M. U. for the last Lottie Moon Christmas offering was \$165,000.00. Up to April 15, \$240,000.00 had been received, \$75,000.00 in excess of the goal. Out of this offering 125 missionaries will be supported, totaling \$100,000.00. The remaining \$140,000.00 will be spent for school and church buildings, missionary homes, repairs on property, etc.

The Board fixed the budget for the calendar year 1936 at \$723,- (Continued on page 15)

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The Children's Circle

MRS. P. I. LIPSEY

My dear children:

If I were to give you three guesses, could you find out where I am this week? Day before yesterday, a gentleman put me on the train at Jackson, and bade me goodbye, he himself nearly ready to start for St. Louis. Was I setting out for Brookhaven? To Memphis? No, but a town about forty-five miles to the southeast, where an hour and a half later, two ladies and a little girl stood waiting for the train. Now you know that I arrived safely at Magee, where our oldest granddaughter, Julia Frances, with her father and mother, lives. So here I am for a pleasant visit, which will be ended before you see this.

The first letter is a nice one from Mary Ruth Denson, sending her club dues and \$1.00 extra for Miss Marguerite. Both are very welcome. Then comes Ernest with his "surprise." Had you noticed that for each of the past three months, since we have been trying to get up the amount for our B. B. I. scholarship, we have had surprises like the one in Mary Ruth's letter, and then besides these, we have had three good big surprises like this one Ernest tells about? His is entirely for the orphans, and I'm so glad to have this fine gift through Ernest's J. L. Club for the orphans on Mother's Day. I think the getting of it was a very remarkable event, and I send congratulations to Ernest and his members.

You notice, I suppose, that Ernest's club has increased from two members to twelve. And his dues have risen to \$1.20. There is no larger club than the Star J. L. Club.

Another letter brings news from a Sunday school class which sends us another Mother's Day gift for our orphan children. We are always glad to hear from Pauline and her friends, and to know that they are growing in Christian activity. If people keep their eyes open for opportunities, they always find them, don't you think?

Then here comes Fannie Mae, with dues for J. L. Club No. 1, as usual, and two birthday offerings. I'm so glad to get these (but not surprised.) And the little kind word she puts in at the beginning doesn't do one bit of harm! On the contrary, it warms my heart.

Last of all, a sweet letter from Mrs. McCall, with the promise of another soon. This is surely a Mother's Day letter, and I haven't time to spare for any account of our Mother's Day.

With love,
Mrs. Lipsey.

The Major Prophets

There are seventeen books of prophecy, of which the first five, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Lamentations, Ezekiel and Daniel, are called the Major Prophets. The books are not called so because of their greater prophecy but because these books are longer, and these prophets did more prophesying.

Isaiah

Isaiah, the first of the Major Prophets, was the son of Amoz. He wrote the book of Isaiah, the 23rd book of the Bible. He reproves the Jews and other nations for their sins, and foretells the coming of Christ. Indeed, this book has more about the coming of the Saviour than any other book of the Old Testament.

Prophets are men who tell of things which come to pass a long time before they take place, and prophecies are what they say, inspired by God. Prophecies are intended to warn men to come back to God, and live right.

A good verse is Isaiah 6:8, "Here am I, send me."

Jeremiah

This book was written by Jeremiah, the son of Hilkiah, who was a priest of Anathoth. It covers a period of forty-two years. Jeremiah, speaking for God, warns the people in strong terms of their sins, pleading with them to live according to His laws. There are many things in his prophecies that are applicable to our own times. Jeremiah was called the Weeping Prophet, because he knew the people were doomed to be carried away into a foreign land, and he could not restrain his grief, nor hold back his tears. He wrote also Lamentations, which shows his sorrow over the downfall of his people and Jerusalem. The last chapter is a piteous prayer of distress and humility over their desperate condition.

A great verse: Lamentations 5: 19, "Thou, O Lord, remainest forever: thy throne from generation to generation."

Mrs. Mayo.

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Bay Springs, Miss.,
May 9, 1936.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

I was happy to see so many letters on our page this week just wish it could be full every week. I am sending two dollars this time, one for my club dues and one extra for the B. B. I. scholarship. Since we do not have chickens and do not get Sunday eggs I'll have to get mine some other way. Did you get my letter and dollar for April? I don't remember seeing it. I wrote near the last of April. We are having a good time playing out doors all the time now.

Lots of love,

Mary Ruth Denson

So much obliged, Mary Ruth, for the dues and extra dollar. I have your money for last month, but have not been able right now to lay hands on your letter.

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Star, Miss.,
May 10, 1935

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

I have a little surprise for you this month. I am sending \$1.20 for J. L. Club dues as we have four new members. Today is a Sunday set aside each year for an all-day singing at our church. Everybody is invited and lunch is served to all. We have had this for several years and will have it again next year.

Here is the surprise: Since this was Mother's Day, my older brother made an announcement as to what our little club was doing and that we wanted an unusually large offering for the orphans this Mother's Day and that we were going to give everybody an opportunity to help us. As the congregation continued singing Beryline, Jean, Christine and Price passed the plates and we received \$11.20 as our Mother's Day offering to the orphans.

As you asked I am listing the names of the members of our club: Jean Laird, Grace Laird, Bobbie Laird, Ferrell Bethany, Price Bethany, Beryline Stuckey, Carolyn Clark, Ernest Clark and our four new members, Kathleen White, Rosaline Barron, Merle Brinson and Christine Brinson.

With love to all my circle friends,
I am

Sincerely,
Sincerely,

Ernest Clark

I haven't words enough to describe what a fine thing I think you all did on Mother's Day. I thank you from my heart.

Florence, Miss.,
May 11, 1936.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

As Mother's Day was set to help the Baptist Orphanage, our Sunday school class has made up a little contribution for them. Mrs. Stella Russell is our teacher and she is a very dear sweet teacher, always so willing to help us in any way she can.

Brother A. W. Talbert is the pastor of our church (Hickory Ridge), he is a wonderful preacher; he just finished a study course at our church which we enjoyed so much.

We are sending fifty cents from the Sunday school junior class. We live close together and are together lots, and are very dear pals.

Much love to all,
Vivian Hutchinson, Sec.
Pauline Mullican.

This is such a nice thing for your class to do, my dears. All these extras help us out wonderfully. I'm sending you my thanks and love.

Olive Branch, Miss.,
May 12, 1936.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey:

Such a nice page you had last week and the week before—new names, more money and a brand new Jeannie Lipsey Club.

I am sending you my J. L. Club dues and birthday offering. I will be eleven the twenty-fifth of this month. My little sister, Margaret, was five the 23rd of March, so I am sending her pennies in.

With love,

Fannie Mae Henley

This letter is full of good things, Fannie Mae, and I thank you for them all. Tell Margaret she and I are almost twins, as my birthday is the day after hers. I hope you and she have many happy birthdays ahead of you.

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Fort Worth, Texas.

Dear Mrs. Lipsey and Children:

We had a beautiful Mother's Day program Sunday morning, so my mind went back to my childhood days when we had never thought of a day set apart to honor mothers. I was asked, a few years ago, to tell of my first Thanksgiving celebration and I told them I could not recall it, but gave them, instead, "Christmas at my grandfather's." That, and the 4th of July, were the only holidays that were celebrated when I was young. I may tell you of them sometime.

In our adult women's opening of Sunday school, a short time ago, we had a fine talk by the young assistant pastor of our church. He asked us first, if we could tell who was the only woman mentioned in the Bible, of whom it is said she was great. We couldn't. I wonder if you can—look in 2 Kings.

Mrs. McCall.

We are so glad to hear from you again, Mrs. McCall, and we all want to ask that you soon write us your account of Christmas at your grandfather's. We send our love.

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VISITS ARKANSAS

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Immanuel Church, Fort Smith, Ark.

It was my happy privilege to be with Dr. V. H. Coffman and the Immanuel Church, Fort Smith, Ark., for a two week meeting April 12th-26th. Stanley Armstrong of Memphis, Tenn., led the singing and young people's meetings. His work is always of the finest type.

I have never worked with a finer people than the members of Immanuel Church. We do not have a

finer spirit among us than Pastor Coffman, consecrated, dynamic, tireless, justly loved and honored, not only by his great church but by all the people in Fort Smith and vicinity. His work at Southside Church, Pine Bluff, and Immanuel, Fort Smith speaks for itself. The beautiful new building at Pine Bluff is a monument to his labors of love there. After almost nine years at Immanuel he has led them in the erection of a beautiful new building with seating facilities of 1,500 and a Sunday school adequate for 1,200. The Sunday school enrollment has already gone beyond the 1,200 mark.

When brother Coffman accepted this church, less than nine years ago, they had a small building and about three hundred members. They now have this beautiful building, a membership of almost 2,000, a splendid assistant pastor, brother R. P. Ringo, a salaried secretary, choir director, and organist. They have purchased the adjoining residence for expansion.

What a manifestation of the blessings of God upon this noble pastor and people. We need his kind in Mississippi.

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W. R. Haynie

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2. The new ASSOCIATIONAL BAPTIST TRAINING UNION MANUAL will be off the press May 5. Regular prices. Credit, Seal in Administration Course.

3. WITNESSING AT HOME AND AROUND THE WORLD, the annual missions course, will be issued again immediately following the Convention. Price 20c. Missions seal for Seniors and Adults.

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11. SOUTHERN BAPTISTS IN WORLD SERVICE, by E. P. Allredge, has just been turned to printer. It is successor to SOUTHERN BAPTISTS WORKING TOGETHER, completely rewritten. Credits, Course X, Senior, and Course V, B. A. U. Should be ready not later than July 1.

Several other books are being prepared; but it is impossible for me to say just when they will be ready.

March and April were great study course months. More than 30,000 awards have already been sent out in April.

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A Fine Sermon by a Ten Year Old Boy

When I Grow Up
When I grow up to be a man.
I'll preach for God because I can.
I'll always obey God's plea,
To preach for him o'er mountain or sea.
I'll always want to be God's right-hand man,

And might preach for him in a far off land.

To preach the gospel of the living God

Might save someone from hell's awful plod.

I'll carry his word wherever I go
So about Jesus others may know.
Now when I die and leave this land,
I hope to be God's right-hand man.

—Tommie Talbert,
Jackson, Miss.

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Directors and unions and pastors in Districts 4, 5, 6 and 7 are being mailed program, poster and other material about the District B. T. U. Conventions. Other districts will be mailed next week. If you do not get yours drop us a card and we will be glad to mail you copies. We may not have you on our mailing list. In writing tell what church and union you are representing.

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S. S. ATTENDANCE MAY 17, 1936

Jackson, First Church	860
Jackson, Calvary Church	756
Jackson, Grif. Mem. Church	554
Jackson, Parkway Church	160
Jackson, Northside Church	84
Columbus, First Church	636
Brookhaven, First Church	449
Hattiesburg, First Church	508
Laurel, First Church	438
Laurel, West Laurel Church	470
Laurel, 2nd Ave. Church	230
Laurel, Wausau Church	65

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B. T. U. ATTENDANCE MAY 17

Jackson, First Church	127
Jackson, Calvary Church	139
Jackson, Grif. Mem. Church	202
Jackson, Parkway Church	60
Jackson, Northside Church	42
Columbus, First Church	176
Brookhaven, First Church	161
Laurel, West Laurel Church	142
Deemer Baptist Church	54

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IN FLORIDA

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We have just closed one of the greatest meetings in the history of the First Baptist Church of Leesburg, Florida. Dr. D. E. Montgomery is their honored pastor. He has been on the field for a little more than a year. During that time he has received a great many people into the fellowship of the church. He has the best organized and best attended B. T. U. in the South. Dr. Montgomery is not only a good organizer but is a preacher of power. So well were his plans made for the meeting that on the first invitation thirty-nine people came forward. On the closing Sunday it was a mountain-top experience for all present, nineteen people united with the church. All and in all it was a far-reaching revival.

My work goes well here. In the twenty months I have been pastor of the Immanuel Baptist Church we have received four hundred and

thirteen members, the majority of them coming on a profession of faith. Pray for us. I am

Yours sincerely,

A. M. Parrish,
Immanuel Baptist Church,
Paducah, Kentucky.

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WOMAN'S COLLEGE B. T. U.

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Those interested in the advancement of B. T. U. on Woman's College campus were very encouraged Sunday night by the number attending in the individual unions. There was an inspirational program in each meeting. Emphasis was placed on faith—how a girl may add to her faith and what it will mean to her. To make the thought more impressive, a lighthouse was used in which the letters FAITH were illuminated. The thought expressed was that the light of faith was an ever-present guide to our lives, (the little boats on the sea of life) kept us off the rocks of doubt and fear and out of the storms of temptation and selfishness.

Correlating with the idea of faith as the lighthouse, the songs used —“Jesus Savior, Pilot Me,” and “Let the Lower Light Be Burning.” The Bible quiz also carried out the main

thought by the use of semaphores presented by ensigns.

In the general assembly, Evelyn Blanks of State Teachers' College gave an inspirational talk on “Rejoice in the Lord.” Preceding the talk, an attitude of worship was created by music in the form of organ music, a violin trio, and a duet.

At the time this is read, Mississippi Woman's College will be engaged in a very interesting B. T. U. Study Course conducted by Mr. Auber J. Wilds and Miss Lucy Carelton Wilds.

—Ann Lowry, BSU Reporter

—BR—
Little Emily, age five, kept watching very intently a man eating corn on the cob at the next table in the restaurant. Finally she looked up with wondering eyes.

“Mamma,” she asked, “why is it that no music comes out?”—Ex.

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Baptist Student Union

Blue Mountain College B. S. U.

On last Sunday evening an impressive service was held in the Lowrey Memorial Baptist Church upon the occasion of the installation of new officers of the B. S. U. Council for the ensuing year. Those having a special part in the service were Miss Mary D. Yarborough, Student Secretary, who introduced the members of both the old and new councils, our pastor, who presided at the installation, Rowena Gunter and Theresa Anderson, presidents of the old and new councils respectively, who each brought a brief but challenging message, our President, Dr. L. T. Lowrey, who spoke on the value of a B. S. U., and Dr. Will Cook Boone, efficient and renowned pastor of the First Baptist Church of Jackson, Tennessee, who brought the marvelous sermon of the evening. After hearing it, in the words of Dr. Boone, we believe that many of those present were resolved to "determine their destiny, develop their character, and dedicate their service." The whole service was inspiring and challenging, and those counsellors, both old and new, were inspired and challenged to greater and nobler things.

Under the direction of our new associate director, Virginia Myrick of Memphis, Tennessee, our B. T. U. began an extension program on Sunday, May 3 by going to Dumas, Mississippi, and presenting a program. Those who had part in the

service were Anne Ford Smith, Marta Bigham, Lois Wiginton, Rowena Gunter, and Georgia Mae Ogburn. We hope that such programs as these will bring forth much fruit in the Master's vineyard.

—Lourie Strickland, Reporter.

Blue Mountain College B. S. U.

Our students are making eager plans for Ridgecrest this summer. Inspired to a large extent by Mr. William Hall Preston's visit to the campus in April, twenty-five girls have already decided to attend the B. S. U. conference at Ridgecrest. Besides this number four of our students, who are Cora May Marriott, Chinkiang, China; Georgia Mae Ogburn, Meridian; Frances Moore, Tupelo; and Velma Green, Spring Hope, N. C., have secured positions there for the summer.

In connection with the local church, our Methodist students maintain a wide-awake organization that works in splendid harmony with the college B. S. U. The following officers have been elected to serve on the Methodist council for next year: Alice Warren, Gates, Tenn., President; Eulalia Thomas, Rossville Tenn., Sunday School President; Minnie Mae Irvin, Isola, Epworth League President; Alys Townes, Grenada, Missionary Society President; and Joyce Liming, Blue Mountain, Church representative.

—Eileen Stubblefield, Reporter.

BLUE MOUNTAIN

Biss Rochell Jones, daughter of brother Jones, pastor at Mendenhall, who graduated from Blue Mountain College last year has established an annual award in memory of Mrs. Rosa May Kennedy, former piano instructor at the college. The award is made to the piano student who, in the judgment of the piano and theory instructors, has best measured up to the following qualifications: sincerity of purpose, genuine love for music, earnestness in work, progressiveness, and inherent talent.

The first recipient of the award is Miss Anibel Jenkins, Lucedale, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. G. S. Jenkins.

Miss Rowena Gunter of Sallis was presented with the Nettie C. Paris award, which is offered to the student who, in the judgment of the faculty, best typifies the spirit and educational ideals of Blue Mountain College. It is offered in encouragement of such Christian traits as characterize an energetic, loyal, sincere, and consecrated student.

Mary Gurney Parker, Sec.

BLUE MOUNTAIN GRADUATES

The following students are candidates for the Bachelor of Arts degree of Blue Mountain College to be awarded on May 27:

Mrs. Myrtle Hicks Almond, Good-

man; Florence Beck, Kerrville, Tennessee; Pauline Bryson, Ripley; Ethlyn Burt, Memphis, Tennessee; Frances Dozier, Fulton; Sue Elkin, Elizabeth Hawkins, and Lucile Horton, Meridian; Hallie Conner Edmondson, Vardaman; Mary Dale, Prentiss; Thyra Goodrich, Clinton; Rowena Gunter, Sallis; Bettie Pate Gurney, Flora Mae Liming, Margaret Lindley, Helen Mayfield, Ruth Shankles, and Geraldine Wales, Blue Mountain; Orene Halsell, Pontotoc; Ione Henderson, Grenada; Ruth Huff, Forest; Mary Elizabeth Huggins, Oxford, Jennie Lee Hunt, Silver City, New Mexico; Sara Izard, Newhebron; Frances Jackson, Sheffield, Alabama; Louise Land, DeKalb; Mary Margaret Loftin, Red Banks; Rita Martin, Benton; Nancy Moore, Tupelo; Anne Newsum, Darling; Mary Gurney Parker, Cruger; Evelyn Rodman, Senatobia; Verna Ryals, Philadelphia; Vida Claire Scalley, Tampa, Florida; Ruth Sessums, Lena; Amie Lee and Mary Julia Stepp, North Carrollton; Cooper Thompson, Houlika; Mary Louise Tillmon, Middleton, Tennessee; Mina Mae Tillson, Taylorsville; Loretta Trumbull, Lawrence, Massachusetts; Lillian Woodson, Aberdeen.

The following, in addition to the Bachelor of Arts degree, will also be awarded diplomas in Expression: Helen Mayfield, Mary Julia Stepp, and Mary Louise Tillmon.



DR. CARTER HELM JONES

Dr. Carter Helm Jones, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Murfreesboro, Tenn., will make the commencement address at Blue Mountain College, May 27.

Widely known as a lecturer and commencement orator, Dr. Jones is a native of Virginia and a descendant of Carter Braxton, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence. He is a son of Dr. J. William Jones, the first biographer of General Robert E. Lee, by request of the Lee family, and chaplain in Lee's army.

Dr. Jones has been president of the American Baptist Foreign Missions Society; vice-president, American Religious Educational Association; convention preacher, Southern Baptist Convention, Birmingham, Alabama, and Northern Baptist Convention at Los Angeles; and was commissioner of the Northern Baptist Convention to Czechoslovakia in 1922.

Dr. Jones has held pastorates at Elizabeth, New Jersey; Knoxville, Tennessee; Louisville, Kentucky; Lynchburg, Virginia; Seattle; Oklahoma City; Philadelphia; Atlanta, and New Orleans.

From Blue Mountain College.
Mary Gurney Parker, Secretary.

IN MEMORIAM MRS. T. FRANK SMITH

In as much as God in His infinite wisdom has seen fit to take from our midst on April 4th, 1936, our beloved friend and co-worker, Mrs. T. Frank Smith, and inasmuch as the Woman's Missionary Union has lost a valuable member, the church

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SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

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The first item in the program of the board for the future calls for payment of the debt,—all of it—\$444,000.00, by the end of the year 1938. We propose to set aside for application on the debt all funds received from the Hundred Thousand Club, gifts through wills and annuities and all other special gifts that can be applied on our debt. We propose to put a definite and fixed sum in the budget for debt curtailment so that all the debt will be retired within the three-year period. We hope to send out a sufficient number of reinforcements and recruits to hold all mission stations until we can recover sufficiently to advance on all fields.

The Foreign Mission Board is making a careful and accurate survey of its work in all lands so that an intelligent and adequate program of rehabilitation and enlargement can be undertaken as soon as possible. To this end the Executive Secretary, accompanied by Dr. and Mrs. L. R. Scarborough, of Texas, will sail from New York on May 23 for a visit to our mission work in Brazil, Argentina, Uruguay and Chile.

At present there are 90 of our foreign missionaries at home on furlough; 52 have returned to their work during the past year; 44 new missionaries have been appointed and 12 old missionaries have been re-appointed; 10 have resigned; 16 retired on pension and 1 died.

In opening the program Dr. Madry stated that the time would be given entirely to the workers and missionaries, a number of whom are at home on furlough and some new ones, recently appointed and are soon to go out. Of the latter there are twelve, nine of whom were introduced. It is always interesting and inspiring to have the missionaries from the different fields relate their experiences and to testify as to the success that has attended their labors. It is encouraging to those at home to see that our "labors are not in vain."

This was perhaps the highest hour in all the proceedings.

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A SHOWER THAT REFRESHED

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After the shower was over the writer learned that it had been thundering for two or three weeks in the vicinity of Toomsaba, just quiet rumblings, heard by the people, principally among the Baptists and a number of their esteemed and loyal friends. As a result of the thunderings a cloud of witnesses came together at the midweek prayer meeting.

Two surprises confronted and delighted the pastor and his wife—the unusually large attendance for the prayer service and the blessings that rained down from the cloud of witnesses that came.

When the prayer service was concluded the pastor was told that Miss Imogene Page had some decorations in her classroom displayed on the seats which they wanted us to see. Miss Page led the way and the pastor and his wife followed. It was a sight to see—the clouds had rained a marvelous shower of groceries—enough to last their preacher and his companion for many weeks. Some even brought greenbacks and silver. It was a real love feast good for tired souls and bodies, refreshing to all.

"If you would be happy, make others happy," was literally fulfilled on this occasion—the people were indescribably rejoiced and their pastor, Rev. L. T. Dyess and his wife found it impossible to find words to express their feelings. They feel however that long after those who have so beautifully and lovingly expressed their devotion and thoughtfulness in this material way have forgotten the occasion, it will still be a source of real joy and blessing to them.

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OUR REVIVAL DATES FOR THE SUMMER

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We are to begin our annual revival at Toomsaba on the first Sunday in July with Rev. W. L. Meadows of Quitman doing the preaching. That it will be well done needs not be said. We look forward with much interest and hope that it shall be a great season of refreshing.

On the second Sunday in July we are to have with us our long time friend and brother, Rev. Robert Allen of Meridian, in our evangelistic meeting at Elim in Clarke County. Brother Allen is a splendid young minister whose work on other fields has been greatly blessed and we rejoice in that he will lead us in our efforts to win the lost.

Our last meeting will be at Shorts Church in Sumter County, Alabama, on the fourth Sunday in July, where our thoroughgoing and esteemed brother, J. H. Street of Meridian, will assist us. It has been our great pleasure to have him with us before in two revivals and his work has always been pitched on a high plane.

Through faith in the Lord and by much prayer we hope to report later that many have found the way of life everlasting through the efforts of these good brethren and the pastor.

L. T. Dyess.

Meridian, Miss.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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David's Lord? They could not answer; because their ministerial interpretation of their own scriptures shut up the truth of the dual nature of the God-man from them. Years afterwards, one of their nation, who had been apprehended by this Christ wrote, "Concerning His Son, who was born of the seed of David according to the flesh, who was declared to be the Son of God with power, according to the Spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead; even Christ Jesus our Lord."

Turning now to the disciples he advised them to beware of the scribes. They love to wear long robes, and to be treated as though they were the all-important ones, being seated in the chief seats, who devour the substance of the poor, and make long prayers for a pretence to goodness.

VI. Revealing Christian Liberality. Vv. 1-4.

"This poor widow cast in more than they all." Cast in more, more, more. I am insisting upon that. Not in the computation of this world. She cast in "two mites," not equal in value to one cent of our money. The rich had cast in many times as much. What did the Lord mean? He meant that the size of a gift in the sight of God is determined by what the giver has left. If out of the right spirit a giver gives his only nickel, while out of the same spirit, another gives \$500 and has \$500,000 left, the chap who gives the nickel makes the larger gift.

VII. Doom of the Disbelieving City. Vv. 5-26.

This is a very sad passage. It tells in prophecy the story of what was to overtake Jerusalem, and does it so accurately that critics have sought for centuries to prove that the passage was not written until after the destruction of the city of Titus, in A. D. 70. We are told that there were 97,000 Jews sold into slavery by the Romans, and 1,100,000 perished, of which number 600,000 starved, and 500,000 were put to death. Their majestic temple was utterly destroyed, and they were scattered among the nations. They remain so scattered today. They will remain so scattered until they grow willing to accept their Christ. The Zionist movement will never avail a thing in restoring them their country. It is a movement conceived in unbelief in Jesus, and will not avail in the work of restoring them as a nation.

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escape, and tradition says there was not one Christian killed in the awful period of suffering which ended in the destruction of Jerusalem.

Jesus intersperses His description of the horrors which are to befall Jerusalem and His directions to them as to how they are to escape the coming destruction by assurances for their comfort that they shall be guided in the midst of persecutions which they shall be called upon to endure for His sake.

VIII. Warnings. Vv. 29-36.

The fruit is the parable of the budding fig tree. When fig trees bud, spring is nigh, even though the weather be cold. When the signs of which He has been speaking are manifest, the end may be known to be near.

Therefore, the disciples are to take heed to themselves lest the evil overtake them. They are to watch with prayer lest they be ensnared, they are to look confidently forward to the time when they shall stand faultless before the throne of His glory.

—BR—

Johnny Jones: "Dad, what is the difference between a cat and a comma?"

Elder Jones: "I don't know; what is it, Johnny?"

Johnny: "A cat has claws at the end of its paws, while a comma is a pause at the end of the clause." —Ex.

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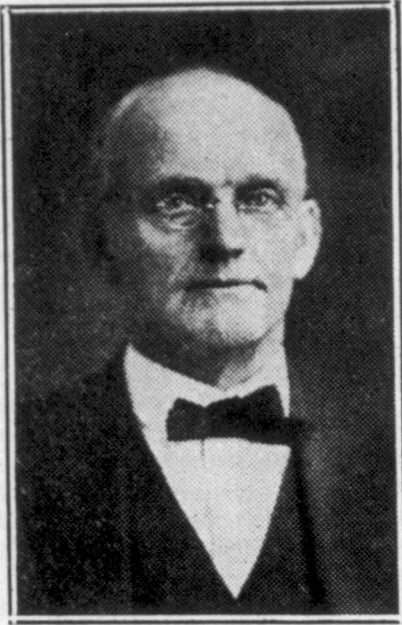
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REV. J. P. HORTON PASSES

Rev. J. P. Horton, 69, beloved Baptist minister for 45 years, and former pastor of the Hickory Flat church, died at his Collierville, Tennessee, home after an illness of a few weeks.

Brother Horton was a very active worker. He loved the Lord and delighted in His service. He was always a very busy pastor, even in his last days. He pastored churches for 45 years, has baptized more than 2,000 souls; married around 1,000 couples. He was a native of Tippah County. Was baptized by his uncle, the late Rev. J. M. Horton. Ordained by the Chalybeate Baptist Church. His first pastorate was the Providence Church, Tippah County. Three years ago, it was his great pleasure to preach the dedicatory sermon from the new church building of the Providence church, the old church building of which he first pastored having been supplanted by the new building. During his pastorate he preached more than 6,000 sermons. He taught in the public high schools for 21 years and was county superintendent of public education of Marshall County for 14 years.

Brother Horton is survived by a wife and several children, among whom is Judge W. T. Horton of Jackson, Miss. Funeral services were conducted from the Collierville Baptist Church by the Rev. R. A. Morris, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Holly Springs, and burial made in the Hill Crest Cemetery, Holly Springs.

Brother Horton was a very lovable character. His friends are numbered by the scores. He has held some very prominent church work. The Collierville, Tenn., church of which he was pastor at the time of his death, is one of the largest in Shelby County. He has accomplished a great deal of good and has a rich reward awaiting him in that day. Peace to his soul.

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The little colored boy was very dark; in fact, he was about as dark as a colored boy could be. On that account he carried the nickname "Midnight," but he never liked it. "Hello, Midnight," one of his friend called to him.

"What you mean, callin' me Midnight? You're just about quatah to twelve yo'self!"—Ex.

BLUE MOUNTAIN COMMENCEMENT

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Reverend J. W. Lee, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Batesville, Mississippi, will deliver the commencement sermon at Blue Mountain College on May 24.

One of the effective and consecrated leaders of the Baptist denomination in Mississippi from the time he entered the ministry and pastor of the Batesville Baptist Church for over a quarter of a century, Mr. Lee was ordained in the spring of 1886 in the Baptist church of Blue Mountain by a presbytery which included Dr. W. T. Lowrey, who was then pastor of the Blue Mountain church, Mr. W. E. Berry, and Dr. J. E. Buchanan. Mr. Lee was married by Dr. W. T. Lowrey who was president of Blue Mountain College for twenty-seven and one-half years.

—Mary Gurney Parker, Sec.

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BECOMES A MEMBER

Dr. C. I. Hudson Becomes A Member of Baptist Training Union Department of Baptist S. S. Board for Work with Adults

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We are very happy to announce that the Executive Committee of the Baptist Sunday School Board, on April 29, 1936, voted to transfer Dr. C. I. Hudson from the Church Administration Department to the Baptist Training Union Department, to become effective June 1, 1936. This action was taken upon the recommendation of the executive secretary, the business manager and the secretary of the Baptist Training Union Department, and in accord with the wishes of Doctor Hudson.

Doctor Hudson comes into the Training Union Department as an associate for field promotion. He will give his time largely to the development of the Adult Department of the Training Union in our churches and associations, working in cooperation with and as a part of our whole Training Union field force. He will assist also in the general promotion of the whole Training Union.

The Baptist Adult Union is firmly established as a department of the church training program. 100,209 adults are already enrolled in the B. A. U.'s of the South. The second quarter, 1936 circulation of the B. A. U. Quarterly is approaching the 80,000 mark at this writing. In this Quarterly these Adults are studying stewardship, missions, doctrines, problems of adult life, and every phase of church and denominational life.

They are following a daily Bible readers' course and setting up the family altar in their homes. They are bringing their children to the B. Y. P. U.'s and staying with them for the preaching service. They are studying the new B. A. U. study course text-books, which cover every phase of church and denominational life, stewardship, missions, and the needs of individual Christians. In the months of March and April alone we issued more than 5,000 B. A. U. study course awards. They are becoming more alive and alert in all their church life, and

are doing more personal work to win the lost.

In the B. A. U. we have a marvelously effective instrument for enlisting and training the men and women of our churches in every phase of Kingdom life. It supplements our program of teaching, adding elements of instruction and training needed by all adults and making a well-rounded program of Christian education for our churches.

It is our purpose to make it possible for every Baptist church in the South to have a Training Union with the B. A. U. as a regular part of the set-up. Doctor Hudson joins us in this great undertaking, bringing years of experience as a pastor and as a field worker in the Church Administration Department. We commend him heartily to our churches for this new service.

T. L. Holcomb,
Executive Secretary
J. E. Lambdin, Secretary
and Editor B. T. U.
Department
J. O. Williams,
Business Manager

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BOWMAR AVE., VICKSBURG

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The last Sunday in this month being the closing day of the fifth year of the present pastorate, the Bowmar Avenue Baptist Church is planning a Home Coming Day on the occasion when all the present members are urged to be present and all persons who have ever been members of the church are cordially invited to come back to spend the day with us.

The guest speaker for the morning hour is to be Dr. R. B. Gunter, Executive Secretary of the State Convention Board. We should like to have a singer to lead the singing for the day but have not yet secured one. If any song leader reading these lines could come for the day, please write the pastor. Expenses will be taken care of.

The annual series of services looking toward a revival in the Waltersville Baptist Church, north of Vicksburg, will begin the fifth Sunday night with Rev. Bryan Simmons, State Evangelist, assisting the pastor. Following the first Sunday in June, brother Simmons will be with Pastor E. R. Pinson in the Log Store community, four miles east of Vicksburg, in a brush arbor meeting. This is a mission point with bright prospects of a church being organized there soon. Brother Pinson is a student at Mississippi College, visiting this community every Sunday for services and assisting them in Sunday school work.

Cordially,

J. L. Boyd, Pastor.
Vicksburg, Miss.

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STUDENT RETREAT

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One of the features of this year's program will be the emphasis upon the summer service opportunities afforded college students in their home churches and associations. This movement, calling forth hundreds of able and willing students, is in cooperation with the Five Year Program promoted by the Baptist Sunday School Board and the state forces.

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Rev. A. F. Johnson, Southern evangelist, of Shreveport and Ft. Worth, will close a campaign with our church, Estancia, N. M., next Sunday. Souls are being saved every service. Record crowds and interest. This is his 47th campaign in two years. His methods are Biblical. He has been a successful pastor of one of the fastest growing churches in the South for over eight years when he resigned on a definite conviction to enter constructive evangelism. Letters sent to him in care of Dr. John Caylor, Shreveport, will reach him. Any church of any size will be fortunate to get him for a campaign. Sincerely, L. C. Wells, Pastor.

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